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People celebrating the 53rd Victory Day in Dhaka on Monday | AFP

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BANGLADESH MAY HOLD ELECTION IN LATE 2025 OR EARLY 2026: YUNUS

Bangladesh's Chief Adviser Muhammad Yunus on Monday said the next general election could take place by the end of 2025 or first half of 2026

DATES WILL DEPEND ON POLITICAL CONSENSUS

Yunus said the timing of the election will depend on political consensus as well as electoral reforms. "If we have to hold the election on the basis of a flawless preparation of the voter list, it may be possible to hold it by the end of 2025... And if we add to this the expected level of reforms in the electoral process, then it may take another six months," he added | **P11**

VOTER LIST TO BE UPDATED BEFORE POLLS

- Yunus said he would like polls to be held after completing all reforms
- "We have to make sure the names of all those who have become eligible to vote in the last 15 years are included in the voters' list. This is a big task," said Yunus, head of Bangladesh's caretaker government that was installed after the ouster of Sheikh Hasina on August 5

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MARKS INDIA'S VICTORY IN 1971 WAR, LIBERATING BANGLADESH FROM PAK

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PALESTINE POINT

In a show of support for the people of Palestine, Priyanka Gandhi Vadra carries a bag with 'Palestine' written on it | PTI

Sitharaman, Kharge exchange barbs in RS

Cong head rebuts charges of constitutional changes for 'one family'

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

FINANCE Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Monday accused the Congress of making major amendments to the Constitution "brazenly to help the family and the dynasty", as she initiated a discussion on the commemoration of 75 years of adoption of the Constitution in the Rajya Sabha.

"Each time the Congress brazenly (amended Constitution), only to help the family. The dynasty kept amending the Constitution, and this is how far they went even if it affects any particular woman who desperately needed the benefit," she alleged while referring to the Shah Bano case.

Rebutting the charges, Leader of Opposition Mallikarjun Kharge argued that those amendments were essential, like the first one, which aimed to provide reservations for Scheduled Castes and Tribes, resolve issues related to education and employment, and abolish the Zamindari system.

Quoting from Sardar Patel's letter to Nehru dated July 3, 1950, Kharge pointed to Patel's view that constitutional amendment was the only remedy to stop communal propaganda.

Kharge sharply criticised the BJP-RSS, accusing them of undermining Constitutional values. He claimed the RSS had opposed the Constitution during the Constituent Assembly debates. "RSS mouthpiece *Organiser* in the edition of November 30, 1949 had written about it," he said.

Finance minister Nirmala Sitharaman and Mallikarjun Kharge | PTI

SACHIN'S 99s

Tendulkar's dismissals at 99 found mention in the Rajya Sabha as Kharge sought to draw Chairman Dhankhar's attention to his speech. When Dhankar said, "I am looking at you 99%," Kharge quipped, "Sachin scored 99 runs 10-12 times but it couldn't become a century."

Taking aim at Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Kharge accused him of twisting facts regarding Nehru's stance on quota and demanded his apology for misleading the nation.

Earlier, Sitharaman accused Congress of failing to pass the Women's Reservation Bill due to coalition pressures and highlighted the party's historical role in the curtailment of free speech. She cited the arrests of poet Majrooh Sultanpuri and actor Balraj Sahni under Nehru's watch as PM as examples of suppressing dissent.

Sitharaman also criticised the Congress for not installing Babasaheb Ambedkar's photo in the central hall of Parliament for decades and for denying him the Bharat Ratna. She also criticised the socialist economic model adopted by Nehru and continued by Indira Gandhi, claiming it hindered India's economic progress.

Responding to Sitharaman's charges on women's quota, Kharge credited the policies of the Congress for enabling its eventual passage in Parliament and promised swift implementation if the party returned to power. He also asked why Modi had not visited Manipur where ethnic violence is yet to abate.

'7,135 minors sought antenatal care in 3 years'

RISHITA KHANNA @ Bengaluru

IN all, 7,135 girls aged below 18 registered for antenatal care or pregnancy-related care in the past three years as per the state's Reproductive and Child Health (RCH) portal, indicating the prevalence of child marriage in society.

Of them, 956 underwent abortions, 1,278 had caesarean delivery or C-sections, six experienced stillbirths, and four died due to pregnancy-related complications.

These figures barely scratch the surface as many cases go unreported. The system to report these cases has completely collapsed, according to experts.

Health officials, however, maintained that a proper system is in place to report minor pregnancy cases and that some girls turn 19 by the time they give birth. But child rights experts and doctors stated that most girls in these situations are anaemic, undernourished, and unfit to endure the severe physical strain of labour pain. Many are compelled to undergo C-sections, often influenced by doctors, who send them to private hospitals.

Activists stated that there are countless cases, where girls become pregnant for the second time before reaching 18, yet their age is falsely recorded as above 19. During the first pregnancy, they are listed as aged 19, and during the second as 21, while they are still under 18.

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SPEAKING HANDS FALL SILENT

AMITAVA SANYAL @ New Delhi

WHEN he was born on March 9, 1951, Zakir Hussain was considered an unlucky child. The arrival of the eldest son had coincided with the family's most distressing moment, as his 'Abba', Allarakha Qureishi, had fallen ill with a heart ailment. The family was somewhat reassured when a holy man appeared at the door of their small house in Mahim, Mumbai and insisted that the son would 'save' the father and that he be named Zakir Hussain—a surname to honour Imam Hussain that no one else in the family shared.

As presaged, the more Zakir fell ill over the next four years, the stronger his father became. By the time the son was five, both had recovered well enough to start a rigorous daily routine of practising the Punjab gharana's style on the *tabla*. In time, rather than fading in the glare of his father's stardom, Zakir stood apart with his own intonation, phraseology and temperament.

In his pre-teen years, Zakir soaked up the experience of listening to his Abba's friend Ravi Shankar on the sitar or Western musicians like the pop group ABBA from up close. Over the next few decades, he built a bridge between the older generation of Samta Prasad, Kishen Maharaj and Allarakha that stressed tradition, and younger musicians open to collaborating with other genres. This openness allowed a rare synergy among the original quartet of Shakti — which included John McLaughlin, L Shankar and T H 'Vikku' Vinayakram — a band formed in 1973 that electrified audiences with a unique mix of Eastern and Western music. That, half a century later, Zakir's work with a much-changed lineup of the band would win him three of his five Grammys is testament to the relevance of his musical ideas.

He would change his approach to suit the occasion. Zakir could be puckish while playing the notes of 'Happy birthday' or *raag* Durga on the *tabla* — something that earned him the epithet of 'speaking hands'. But he could be utterly restrained while accompanying, say, Nikhil Banerjee at a concert or Lakshmi Shankar in a studio session. It's this felicity that made him synonymous with his instrument.

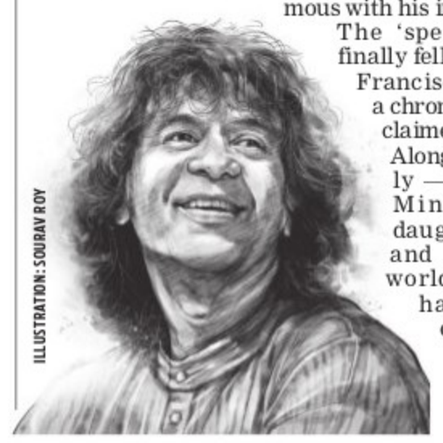
ILLUSTRATION: SOURAV ROY

The 'speaking hands' finally fell silent at a San Francisco hospital as a chronic lung disease claimed him at age 73. Along with his family — wife Antonia Minnecola, and daughters Isabella and Anisa — the world is lucky to have been bequeathed a grand musical legacy by someone born 'unlucky'.

K'taka RTC staff to strike work from Dec 31

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

THE Karnataka State Road Transport Employees' Joint Action Committee has called for an indefinite strike from December 31, demanding that the state government fulfil their demands. The strike is likely to cause inconvenience to lakhs of people, especially on the eve of New Year.

Employees of the Karnataka State Road Transport Corporation, Bengaluru Metropolitan Transport Corporation, Kalyana Karnataka Road Transport Corporation and the North-Western Road Transport Corporation will strike work. Payment of arrears amounting to Rs 1,750 crore pending for 36 months and Rs 306 crore DA for retired employees are among their demands. The committee also demanded that the employees' salary be revised with retrospective effect from January 1, 2024.

Committee office-bearers said Minister Dinesh Gundu Rao received a petition from them on behalf of the state government on December 14 and assured that he would discuss their demands with the government.

EYES OF THE TIGER

D Gukesh receives a rousing welcome on his arrival at the Chennai airport on Monday. Fans almost mobbed the world chess champion | ASHWIN PRASATH | **P13**

EXPORTS FALL

Record gold imports widen trade deficit

DIPAK MONDAL @ New Delhi

IN what could put pressure on the economy, India's trade deficit—the difference between imports and exports—widened to a record $37.8 billion in November, showing a 4.8% drop in exports and a record increase in imports driven by massive gold demand. The average monthly deficit recorded during the April-October 2024 period was $23.5 billion, government data released on Monday showed.

In absolute terms, merchandise exports fell from $33.75 billion in November 2023 to $32.11 billion in November 2024. In contrast, imports during November 2024 grew 27% to $69.95 billion with gold shipments rising 4.3 times to $15 billion.

"Such high levels of gold imports were likely driven by festive and marriage-related demand and are unlikely to sustain in the ensuing months, which would help to cool the upcoming merchandise trade deficit prints," said Aditi Nayar, chief economist, ICRA.

Even though services exports came to the rescue of the November trade, the overall trade deficit (merchandise + services) at $19.84 billion in the month was three times that of the previous year. Services sector exports jumped 27% year-on-year to $35.67 billion in November even as imports surged 29% to $19 billion.

In a break from past trends, services exports for the first time in November raced ahead of merchandise exports by $3.56 billion.

According to Ajay Srivastava, founder, Global Trade Research Initiative, higher services growth has been a consistent trend and is now resulting into higher export values. "Between FY19 and FY24, exports grew at a compounded annual growth rate of 5.8%, while services exports surged at CAGR of 10.5%," he said.

DEMAND IN FLUX

Decline in exports is attributed to a slump in global demand while the uptick in imports shows robust domestic demand

IMPACT ON CAD

Adverse trade deficit may widen current account deficit (CAD) to 2.8% of GDP in Q3, against earlier forecast of 2%, said Aditi Nayar of ICRA

Will not allow Lankan territory to be used against India, says Dissanayake

YESHI SELI @ New Delhi

SRI Lanka will not allow its territory to be used against India's national security interests, Lankan President Anura Kumara Dissanayake assured Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Monday. Dissanayake's assurance comes amid concerns in New Delhi over China's attempts to increase its military influence over Colombo.

Dissanayake, who is on a three-day visit to India, held wide-ranging talks with Modi. Both the leaders decided to finalise a bilateral defence cooperation agreement and ramp up their energy ties by establishing electricity grid connectivity and multi-product petroleum pipelines.

In the meeting, Modi said he and the Sri Lankan president were in "full agreement" that the security interests of both countries are interconnected. Modi also assured Dissanayake of India's support to the island nation, which is striving to stabilise its wobbly economy.

Dissanayake thanked India's crucial help in managing Lanka's debt restructuring process, and for extending financial assistance of $20.66 million to settle payments due from Lanka for projects completed under existing Lines of Credit, thereby significantly reducing its debt burden.

Lankan prez Anura Kumara Dissanayake with Prime Minister Narendra Modi | PTI

During the meeting, the Sri Lankan president "appreciated India's continued support for the implementation of projects despite the ongoing debt restructuring", the Ministry of External Affairs said.

Underlining the importance of connectivity, Modi said a decision was taken to initiate a ferry service between Rameswaram and Talaimannar. "We have jointly decided that, post the successful launch of the Nagapattinam to Kankesanthurai ferry service, we will also initiate a ferry service between Rameswaram and Talaimannar," he said.

Modi said they deliberated on the fishermen issue and agreed that a "humanitarian approach" should be adopted.

Both leaders also agreed to work together for the timely completion of ongoing projects such as Phase III & IV of Indian Housing Project, 3 (three) Islands Hybrid Renewable Energy Project, and High Impact Community Development Projects across Sri Lanka.

India will train 1,500 Lankan civil servants across ministries over a period of five years. Also on the cards are training programmes in defence and legal matters for Sri Lankans.

(With agency inputs)

Tulsi Gowda

'ENCYCLOPEDIA OF FOREST' PASSES AWAY

Legendary tree planter and Padma Shri awardee Tulsi Gowda passed away at her residence in Honnali village in Uttara Kannada district on Monday. She was 86 | **P5**

In Karnataka, dairy farmers not paid incentives for nine months

ASHWINI M SRIPAD @ Bengaluru

THE state government has not paid incentives to dairy farmers for more than nine months. The reason given is "no money".

The government has to pay Rs 5 per litre of milk supplied by farmers under the Ksheeradhaare scheme. Animal Husbandry Minister K Venkatesh admitted that farmers have not been paid their incentives for five months as a proposal in this regard is pending before the Finance Department.

There are 16 milk unions in the state. On an average, they procure one crore litres of milk daily, making Karnataka a top state in dairy farming. The incentive scheme for dairy farmers was launched in 2008 with Rs 2 per litre. In 2013, it was increased to Rs 4 per litre and to Rs 5 per litre in 2016.

Though Congress was in favour of increasing it up to Rs 7, it did not happen. In fact, before the Assembly polls in 2023, the then Leader of Opposition in the Assembly Siddaramaiah stated that if Congress comes to power, it will increase the incentive to Rs 6 per litre.

Venkatesh told the Assembly that from June 2024 to October 2024, farmers have not been paid and the amount payable to them is Rs 606.69 crore. **P4**

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• Gulikakala: 12:00 pm to 01:30 pm • Yamaganda: 09:00 am to 10:30 am

WEATHER
MIN 13°C | MAX 25°C
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Overcast

Sunrise 06.34 am
Sunset 05.56 pm
Moonrise 07.58 pm
Moonset 08.23 am

VANISHING LAKES

GOVT TO TAKE STOCK OF LOST WATER BODIES

'Of the 756 lakes in B'luru, only 216 remain'

BOSKY KHANNA @Bengaluru

THE state government agencies are currently reviewing base maps and preparing ground survey reports to determine the extent of lake land loss across Karnataka. The goal of this exercise is not just to update government records but to revise them to reflect the actual situation.

According to Karnataka Tank Conservation and Development Authority (KTCDA), there are 40,998 lakes in the state, of which 202 are in Bengaluru. This data was recently submitted to the High Court. However, there is no comprehensive record detailing of how many lakes have been lost, encroached upon, or repurposed. For instance, Dharmambudhi lake was transformed into the Majestic Bus Stand, Shoolay Lake became an indoor stadium, and Domlur Lake was converted into a residential layout by the Bangalore Development Authority (BDA).

"There are numerous water bodies that have been lost to urban development. However, according to government records and as per the 1971 base maps, they are still classified as water bodies. This discrepancy should be corrected. The records should be updated to reflect the changes that have occurred. While this has been proposed multiple times, it has never been implemented. We are now attempting to address it. It's a tough decision to take, but it is necessary. If this issue is challenged in court, we risk losing the case," said a revenue department official.

The revenue department is working with district administrations, the forest department, KTCDA, and Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) to prepare a detailed report of the number of lakes that have been lost over time, including when and why the losses occurred. The KTCDA is also leveraging the Karnataka State Remote Sensing Application Centre's drone surveys to gather data from various districts.

Prof TV Ramachandra from Centre for Ecological Sciences, IISc said, "In Bengaluru alone, there were 756 lakes but now only 216 remains. We have lost 540 to both government and private projects. The government should not alter records, but rather update them to reflect these changes. While this is a good move, it will be better if stern action is also taken against encroachers and encroachments are cleared."

Ramachandra emphasised that court rulings are clear--once a water body is always a water body. The courts have also repeatedly stated that there is no such thing as 'dry lakes'. Based on the finding of the surveys, the government should take appropriate action to protect these water bodies, he said.

Ram Prasad from Friends of Lakes said, multiple reports such as those from Lakshman Rao, AT Ramaswamy and Koliwad Committee provide varying estimates of the number of lakes lost. He cautioned that this exercise should not stop at surveying and updating government records. While public works occupying government-owned water bodies such as the ISRO office, should be allowed to continue, all private encroachments must be cleared.

WHERE IS THE CROWN?

Queen Victoria's statue without the crown at Cubbon Park | VINOD KUMAR T

It is a revered part of our heritage. The crown could not have fallen accidentally. It is clear that vandals attempted to destroy this historic monument

- Dr Umesh, president of Cubbon Park Walkers' Association

Crown of iconic Queen Victoria statue damaged at Cubbon Park

BANSY KALAPPA @Bengaluru

THE crown of the iconic Queen Victoria's statue at Queen's Circle in the city has been damaged. The statue was installed in 1906.

Heritage Beku, which first raised an alarm, in its X post said, "We are deeply shocked to find the crown missing from the statue. We've informed the authorities, including the BBMP commissioner and the Cubbon Park ASI. We hope it's not a case of vandalism, and that the crown is returned and restored."

Dr Umesh, president of Cubbon Park Walkers' Association, said, "This statue has been here since 1906. It is one of the few such monuments in the world. It is a revered part of our heritage. The crown could not have fallen accidentally. It is clear that vandals attempted to destroy this historic monument," he said. "The police have access to CCTV cameras in the area. It won't be easy to get away with this crime," he added.

Priya Chetty Rajagopal from Heritage Beku said, "It seems, the crown has been forcibly removed. It was broken into three pieces, which the Horticulture Department has recovered. The authorities have been quick to act. Deputy director of horticulture Kusuma and BBMP chief engineer Prahlad have initiated action to repair the damaged crown."

Meanwhile, DCP (Central) Shekhar H Tekkanavar said, "We've investigated and ruled out mischief. The crown fell accidentally, possibly when someone attempted to garland the statue."

However, experts are not happy with his explanation.

Two weeks ago, the late Siddaganga pontiff Sri Shivakumara Swamiji's statue was vandalised in Girinagar. The police, however, managed to arrest the culprit.

It may be recalled that just two weeks earlier the former Siddaganga Pontiff, Sri Shivakumara swamiji statue was vandalised in Girinagar and the police however managed to track down the culprit and arrested him.

Metro fare fixation panel's final report in 2 weeks

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

THE Fare Fixation Committee appointed to recommend the appropriate fare revision for Bengaluru Metro held a final meeting with BMRCL officials on Monday. A final report on the exact fare hike will be submitted within two weeks, said government sources.

The three-member committee was given a deadline of December 15 to submit its recommendation to BMRCL and its report would be binding on Metro. Headed by retired Madras High Court judge Justice R Tharani, the Additional Secretary of the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Satyendra Pal Singh and former Additional Chief Secretary, Karnataka, EV Ramana Reddy are its members.

The team recently visited Singapore and Hong Kong along with BMRCL officials to study the fare structure in place in the Metro Rails there. "The Metro rails in those countries are owned by the government but are operated by private players. They follow a system of automatic fare revision annually. This will not be accepted in our country," said a source.

"The Delhi Metro model whereby fares are revised over a period of years is the possible way out," he added.

The minimum fare on Namma Metro's 76.95-km network is presently Rs 10 and the maximum fare is Rs 60 with travel card users having a 5% discount on it.

BMRCL officials chose to remain tight-lipped about the proposed revision.

A source said, "A fare hike of 10 percent or even 15 percent is meaningless. A hike of at least 20% will make sense. If you look at BMRCL's balance sheet, their interest burden on borrowings the previous financial year was Rs 110 crore. It will become Rs 130 crore this financial year due to the capital invested on the Phase-II network. It is only set to increase next fiscal year."

After the report is finalised, the BMRCL board needs to approve it. "Any operational loss needs to be borne only by the Karnataka Government though the project is a joint venture."

2nd set of coaches for Yellow Line by January

Bengaluru: Metro train coaches for the Electronics City line, sent by China Railway Rolling Stock Corporation (CRRC) will depart from Titagarh Rail Systems Limited to Bengaluru only by the end of December. It is set to reach Hebbagodi by road in the first week of January, said multiple BMRCL sources. This will only be the second train set that will be ready for the Yellow Line from RV Road to Bommasandra. "The six coaches will be sent on separate trailers. They will be coupled together to form a train at Hebbagodi depot after they reach here," he said. The second train was not ready at Titagarh as all the components to be fitted into the shell of the coaches sent by CRRC were yet to be sourced. The first train set arrived from Shanghai by ship to Chennai and reached Hebbagodi on February 14 this year. Multiple train testings, speed tests, trial runs and inspection by the commissioner for Metro Rail Safety should happen before the launch. No one at BMRCL was willing to give a timeframe on the possible launch period for the line.

STERN ACTION

Illegal buildings: Girinath dismisses two appeals

ENS @Bengaluru

PROPERTY owners accused of repeated violations such as construction of illegal buildings despite receiving demolition notices, will face stern action. BBMP Chief Commissioner Tushar Girinath dismissed appeal petitions concerning two unauthorised buildings in KR Pura sub-division.

According to officials, buildings on two sites owned by Jayarama Naidu were found to have unauthorised floors. Despite receiving notices from the BBMP assistant executive engineer of KR Pura, the owner allegedly continued with the construction. His appeal against the notices were dismissed on November 30, with an order to demolish the buildings. Similarly, the chief commissioner dismissed an appeal concerning a property owned by Prem Kumar and Saraswathi on August 31. "The assistant director of town planning, Mahadevapura zone, has sent the demolition notices under Section 356(1) to the executive engineer BBMP KR Pura," said a source.

MARSHALS DEPLOYED TO FINE GARBAGE DUMPERS IN RR NAGAR

Bengaluru: The Bengaluru Solid Waste Management Limited that is tasked with waste management in the city deployed marshals in RR Nagar zone on Monday, as part of its drive to reduce incidents of garbage dumping, discipline the public and thus create awareness among them. Officials said that 331 cases were reported in RR Nagar zone, which has 14 wards in October. BBMP collected a penalty amount of Rs 1,82,717 from the public for violation of solid waste management rules.

WORKSHOP ON SAHAJA YOGA HELD

Bengaluru: Sahaja Yoga is a transformative experience, said Dr Rajiv Kumar, former vice chairman of NITI Aayog. Speaking at the Sahaja Dhara workshop held on Sunday, he said, "There is a subtle system inherently present within all of us. It is our right to understand this system and harness its benefits, connecting our inner energy with the divine energy. Having practised Sahaja Yoga for 35 years, I can confidently assure you that Sahaja Yoga is one of the most transformative experiences you can have in life." Dr Manoj Kumar, chairman of Life Eternal Trust Bengaluru said,

Karnataka signs MoU with UK's Chevening scholarships programme for women graduates

Bengaluru: Karnataka signed an Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with UK's Chevening scholarships programme, becoming the first state in South India to do so, to offer a unique scholarship for women graduates from the state to pursue Master's degrees in the UK. The MoU was signed on Monday during the Winter Session of the Karnataka Assembly in Belagavi, with Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, Higher Education Minister Dr MC Sudhakar and British Deputy High Commissioner to Karnataka and Kerala, Chandru Iyer, in attendance. The tie-up will fully fund five women annually for the next three years to pursue a Master's degree of their choice in the UK. Over the next three years, 15 women graduates will benefit from this opportunity, with the first batch set to begin their studies in September 2025. The Chevening programme is the largest international awards scheme in India, offering 45 fully funded scholarships and fellowships every year. The programme is now available in 160 countries, with over 3,900 alumni in India alone. Chandru Iyer highlighted that empowering women and girls is a priority for the UK, and part of its broader collaboration with India on topics ranging from technology to climate resilience. He also noted that Karnataka is the first state in South India to partner with Chevening.

EXPRESS READ

Ranks not important in life, says Sudha Murty

Bengaluru: Ranks are not important in life but educational institutions must equip students with the strength and courage to face reality, said Rajya Sabha member Sudha Murty. She was addressing the Global Alumni Meet-2024 organised by the BVB KLE Tech Alumni Association at Nimhans on Saturday. Recalling her college days, Sudha Murty said, "I pursued engineering at this college, which laid the foundation for expanding Infosys. While students are educated academically, their potential and self-confidence are often overlooked. Institutions should prioritise building these qualities."

Salumarada Thimakka's condition stable

Bengaluru: Noted environmentalist and Padma awardee Salumarada Thimakka is under treatment in a private hospital here. According to doctors, she was admitted on November 30 after she complained of breathlessness, bad stomach and infection. "She was found to be suffering from gastro intestinal infection, diarrhoea and dehydration. She was in the ICU for a few days. Her condition is stable now and she will be discharged on December 17 or 18," the doctors said. Thimakka's son Umesh said, "She is 113 years old. We rushed her to Apollo Hospital in Jayanagar after her condition deteriorated. She is now stable."

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

17TH December : Tuesday is sacred to Mars, or Mangal. There are all sorts of actions to perform today to harmonise with Martian energies. Mars is known as the red planet and rules all hot things. A simple way to harmonise with today's magical patterns is to wear read clothes and make your food extra spicy!

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
A word is necessary about your professional affairs. I don't foresee any unexpected changes, but you must be aware that a certain amount of back-tracking is necessary, and that this may result in temporary frustration. However, it will all be worth it!

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)
With the Moon now so strong in your solar chart, you have an ideal opportunity to prove just how perceptive and open to a partner's needs you really are. Your maternal qualities are at their best, so you may be taking control at home or accepting a new professional responsibility.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
Although it may go against the grain, you will have to smile sweetly, no matter what other people say or do. It is undoubtedly a perfect time for forgiveness, even if others are going all out for revenge. A soothing word will completely take the wind out of their sails.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
You seem to be angry about an emotional or family question, though whether you can do anything about it is another matter. Given that you will indeed be able to right an injustice, the question now is where to start? You might have to begin at the end and work back!

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)
It is surely better to stick to methods which are tried and tested and have proved themselves over the past few months. One thing you have to strive for is respect from partners and associates, and this will come if you show that you are prepared to be true to your word.

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)
Moral and ethical considerations are vital, for it's important that you do the right thing. You may not gain materially from being noble and selfless, but you will surely boost the quality of your life. Optimism is the theme for the next twenty-four hours.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
In a matter of days the Sun will have altered its position, putting the onus on you to improve your financial situation. Joint arrangements will be most significant, so preserve and build on all important relationships. Somebody is waiting for you to make the first move.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
You're honestly not sure whether private or public life is more important. Perhaps other people can help you, so why not ask around? For once partners are in a very good position to offer a helping hand, and it may become clear that you can indeed pursue different options at the same time.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)
Take the fullest possible advantage of today's amazingly favourable planetary aspects to lift your spirits. It matters not whether your life is easy or difficult, just as long as you keep things in perspective. Also, only make commitments you know that you can stick to.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
You seem to be reorganising your home, but you are also about to change your mind about what you want. The only way to tackle family relationships is through realising that nobody, not even you, can ever be free of the past. You can be fully independent and fulfil your duties at the same time.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
An unusual amount of planetary activity in sensitive regions of your chart is drawing your attention to certain quibbles and queries at home. Problem-solving is now on the agenda, so get to on with creating a brighter future. The past may seem like a golden age, but your memory might be playing tricks on you.

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)
Now you really ought to be out of the doldrums. Venus lines up with friendly planets to create a sense that the world is rather a wonderful place after all, so put on your rose-tinted spectacles before you go out this morning. It's time to wear your happy face!

Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle

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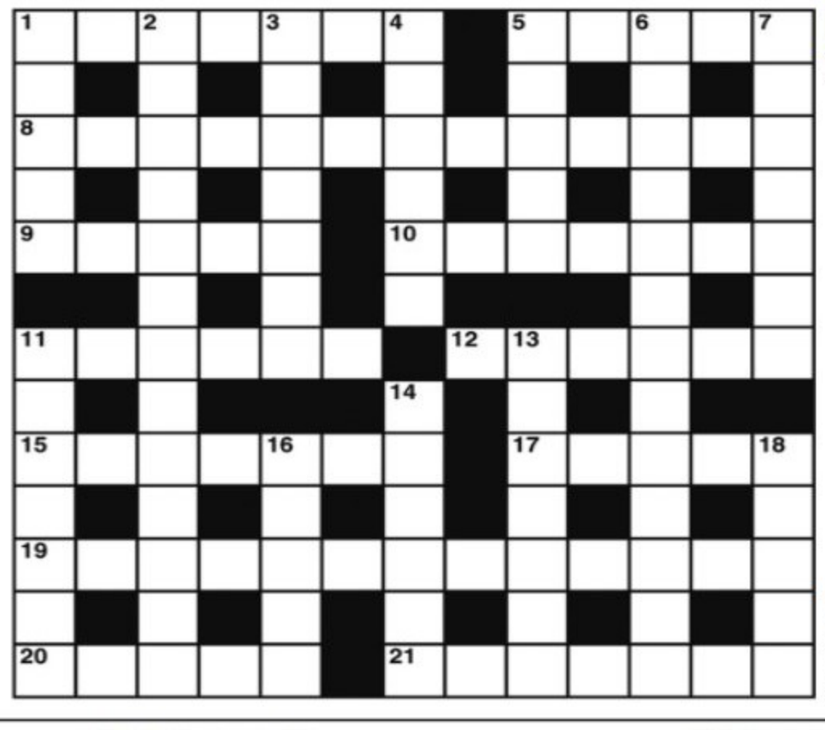
SUDOKU MEDIUM

TEST YOUR NUMBER CRUNCHING SKILL WITH OUR UNIQUE PUZZLE

Fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3X3 box accommodates the digits 1 to 9, without repeating any.



CROSS WORD

ACROSS
1 Recreation for the potter (7)
5 Material used for making sails and ropes (5)
8 Little wonder! (6,7)
9 Understanding a key file (5)
10 What old scholars often dipped into (7)
11 To avoid it people may go into it (6)
12 Score less than a hundred (6)
15 Sort of study carried out by bathyscaphe? (2,5)
17 Italian dish that's the finished article (5)
19 Try to look smart in order to go courting? (5,4,4)
20 They may be held in revulsion (5)
21 One who may turn out a successful actor (7)

DOWN
1 Arm for an armed hold-up (5)
2 Indifference caused by losing one's grip? (13)
3 Pink gin ordered for an important person (7)
4 Mend a broken marriage? (6)
5 It's in store and may be in the soup (5)
6 Pins an opponent's arms, making him defenceless? (6,3,4)
7 Devotion to a lly in tangle with unknown quantity (7)
11 It may pick and hold a lock (7)
13 I'm old-fashioned; no getting away from it (7)
14 Complained when I'd gone out (6)
16 Sends off letters for jobs (5)
18 He pretends to work (5)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Herod, 8 Armchair, 9 Quits, 10 Tapering, 11 Astir, 12 Ham, 16 Rowena, 17 Anyhow, 18 Sac, 23 Staff, 24 In a flash, 25 Agony, 26 Molasses, 27 Aside.

Down: 2 Emulsion, 3 Outsider, 4 Errata, 5 Screw, 6 Panic, 7 Frogs, 12 Has, 13 Mac, 14 By stages, 15 Confined, 19 Austen, 20 Firms, 21 Sally, 22 Plush.

JUMBLE

UNSCRAMBLE THESE JUMBLES, ONE LETTER TO EACH SQUARE, TO FORM FOUR ORDINARY WORDS.

BY DAVID L. HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

NWYID

RITLW

CAHEBL

XEOPSE

Get the free JUST JUMBLE app • Follow us on Twitter @PlayJumble
I think it's time to cut our losses.
It was worth a shot.
10/22
WHEN THEIR ATTEMPT TO DRILL FOR OIL CAME UP EMPTY, THEY SAID ---

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: HITCH QUEST LETTER LAGOON
Answer: Some of the people viewing Rodin's sculpture "The Thinker" were — LOST IN THOUGHT

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The Ramamurthy Nagar police arrested a 41-year-old man for allegedly sexually assaulting his minor daughter. On Sunday, the couple had an argument, and the mother went outside the house, after which the father misbehaved with the child

Actor Darshan appears before magistrate court

Completes formalities, returns to hospital

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

KANNADA actor Darshan Thoogudeepa, who is accused in the kidnap and murder case of Renukaswamy, appeared before the magistrate court on Monday and completed bail formalities, following the Karnataka HC granting him bail on Friday.

Darshan is accused number two (A2) in the Renukaswamy case. He had been hospitalised for severe back pain for over six weeks at a private hospital in Kengeri. He left the hospital and arrived at the court to sign documents related to bail. Since Saturday and Sunday were government holidays, he appeared on Monday to complete the bail formalities.

Darshan, who was seen limping in the court premises, was accompanied by his wife Vijayalakshmi, his brother Dinakar Thoogudeepa, his close associate and actor Dhanveer, and others. After hearing the court's directions and completing the formalities, he left the court and returned to the hospital.

As per the bail conditions, Dinakar and Dhanveer provided surety for Darshan, who signed a personal bond of Rs 1 lakh. Darshan also signed an application for the withdrawal of his passport. While there was a condition to surrender the passport during interim bail, no such condition applies to regular bail. Thus, the court agreed to return his passport, an advocate representing Darshan told reporters, adding that Darshan went back to the hospital for treatment.

As news of Darshan's court appearance spread, fans rushed to the court to catch a glimpse of him. The police had a tough time in managing the crowd.

Meanwhile, the prime accused Pavithra Gowda and other accused are yet to be released from Bengaluru Central Prison at Parappana Agrahara. Two individuals including woman furnished surety for Pavithra on Monday. She is likely to be released soon. The High Court granted bail to Darshan, Pavithra Gowda, R. Nagaraju, Anukumar, Lakshman, Jagadeesh, and Pradosh S Rao on Friday.

BLOSSOM SEASON

It's that time of the year again when the city turns pink. A boy plays near a Tabebuia Rosea tree at Cubbon Park in Bengaluru on Monday | ALLEN EGENUSE J

HISTORY-SHEETER ATTACKS CONSTABLE, SHOT IN LEG

Bengaluru: A 40-year-old history-sheeter wanted in an attempt to murder case was shot in the leg by the Jigani police. The incident happened near Mayasandra in Anekal in the early hours of Monday. The accused has been identified as Lokesh, who has five cases against him, including charges of murder, extortion, and kidnapping. The police were on the lookout for Lokesh, as he allegedly tried to murder a rowdy recently. The police received information of his whereabouts and team rushed to Mayasandra, where he was found. He was ordered to surrender, but Lokesh tried to escape. A head constable Channabasava, attached to Jigani police station tried to catch him, and the accused stabbed him in his left shoulder. The police fired a warning shot in the air and again instructed Lokesh to surrender, but he continued to flee. In response, the police shot him in the right leg, the police said.

'HC can decide dispute over caste of elected candidate'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

THE Karnataka High Court ruled that the Karnataka Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Classes (Reservation of Appointments, etc.) Act, 1990 does not take away its jurisdiction to decide an election dispute questioning the caste of a returned candidate (a candidate who has been declared elected) to the legislative assembly.

Justice Anant Ramanath Hegde passed the order while rejecting the interlocutory application filed by B Devendrappa, who was elected from Jagaluru assembly constituency reserved for Scheduled Tribe. The election of the applicant was challenged by G Swamy by way of the election petition on the ground that he belongs to the Other Backward Community (OBC) and is ineligible to contest the election.

In the application filed under Order VII Rule 11 of the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908, Devendrappa contended that the petition is barred under law, as the caste certificate issued in his favour holds good till it is cancelled by the District Caste Verification Committee (DCVC). Only the DCVC formed under the Act of 1990, has the jurisdiction to decide on the validity of the caste certificate. Thus, the election petition is not maintainable and impliedly barred in view of the Act of 1990, he contended.

However, senior counsel representing the petitioner (Swamy) contended that the high court has jurisdiction to decide the dispute questioning the caste certificate of a returned candidate and the high court only under the Representation of the People Act, 1951 has the jurisdiction to try the questions raised in the petition.

The high court noted that it is true that the caste of a person cannot be different for different purposes. If a certificate is issued certifying a person to be caste 'X' for one purpose, his caste will be and should be 'X' for all other purposes as well. One cannot claim that his caste is 'X' for one purpose and 'Y' for another. However, said logic does not give primacy to the decisions of DCVC in derogation of the jurisdiction conferred on the High Court under the Act of 1951, the court said.

Strenghten law governing will execution: HC

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
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A SUITABLE provision in law to facilitate an option to record the statement by the testator-will executor and the attesting witnesses in a court, testifying about the execution of a will, with necessary measures or safeguards to ensure confidentiality, will go a long way in assisting the courts in discharging its function in adjudicating the dispute surrounding the execution of the will, said the Karnataka High Court.

While disposing of the dispute involving the will, the court noted that the concept of will and proof of will introduced in the colonial regime through the Indian Succession Act, 1925 and Indian Evidence Act, 1872 has not witnessed any change. Even in Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyama 2023, there is no change in the mode of proof of a will, said the court, adding that this issue is discussed only to invite the attention of the stakeholders for meaningful deliberation and to find a solution to ensure that a genuine will never fails or a fake will never succeeds in a court of law.

Don't take coercive action against BMSIT: HC to cops

BENGALURU: With a condition of cooperating with the investigation, the Karnataka High Court directed the city police not to take any coercive steps against BMS College of Engineering in the garb of investigation in connection with the FIR registered over the charges of seat blocking. Justice M Nagaprasanna passed the interim order after hearing the petition filed by the college, questioning the FIR registered by Malleshwaram police based on the complaint filed by the Karnataka Examinations Authority (KEA). During the hearing, the Additional State Public Prosecutor submitted that the investigation is on and certain material has now come to light, which would pin down the accused. He also undertook that they would not take any coercive steps in the garb of investigation, provided the petitioner would cooperate with the investigation. Further hearing was adjourned to January 16.

Nepalese couple flushes newborn down toilet, held

ENS @ Bengaluru

THE Harohalli police in Ramanagara district, investigating the case of a premature baby found flushed in a toilet at Dayanand Sagar Hospital, arrested a Nepalese couple in connection with the incident.

The accused, Amrutha Kumari, 20, and Surendra Mehra, 21, initially claimed that they were married. However, further investigations revealed that the couple was unmarried and had been living together for over two years. Both Amrutha and Surendra were working as labourers at an industry in Harohalli. Amrutha told the police that the couple did not intend to kill the baby, claiming that the baby was stillborn. She explained that she developed complications during her pregnancy, which led to severe labour pain and heavy bleeding. Amrutha was taken to the hospital for treatment, where she gave birth. She and Surendra then managed to escape with the baby and later flushed it down the toilet.

Based on CCTV and technical evidence, the police arrested the couple from their residence on December 12. The newborn's body was discovered in a toilet on the hospital's ground floor, after staff noticed a blockage.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client **Mr.KUMAR.A S/o Late.Armugam Achar, and Mrs.K.Nagu W/o Sri.Kumar.A.**, both are residing at No.37, 11th Cross Road, Magadi Road, Banglaore-560 023, proposes to purchase the following property from Mr.Manjesh.N S/o Mr.B.L.Nagaraj, residing at No. 18, 10th Main Road, J.C.Nagar, Mahalakshmipura Layout, Bangalore-560 086.

Any person/s and Financial Institutions having any right, title, interest claims objections for the above said transaction any lodge his/their claims/objections with documentary evidence within 15 days from the date of publication of this which with the undersigned, failing which, thereafter any client shall proceed to complete the transaction and any claim/s or objection/s received thereafter will not be entertained.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing E-Asti Municipal No.39/20/260, E-Asti P.I.D.No.5261539684, Previously Municipal No.260, P.I.D No.21-116-260, Presenlty Situated at West of Chord Road, Basaveshwaranagar 4 Stage, 4 Block, (Old Municpal No.39/20, Survey No.39, Agrahara Dasarahalli, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk,) BMP Ward No.21, BBMP Ward No. 105, Bangalore, measuring East to West: 35-0 Feet, North to South : 30-0 Feet, totally 1050 Square Feet, along with house, and bounded on:

East by :: Property No.21,
West by :: Road,
North by :: Property No. 19,
South by :: Private Property.

Sd/- **S.R.GANGADHAR,** Advocate
Mathrushree Associates No.V-5, Shop No.2, Opp KIADB Building Near Peenya Sub-Registrar Office, 14th Cross, Peenya 2nd Stage, Bangalore-58. **Mob. 9448522933**
Date:17.12.2024 Place: Bangalore.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My Client's lost/misplaced following Original Documents, Originals

1. Sale deed dated 31-01-2007 executed by Sri. Prasannakumar and others in favour of Smt. Lakshmamma registered as Document No.36734/2006-07, Book-1, stored in C D No.365, in the office of Sub-Registrar, Kengeri, Bengaluru
2. Sale Agreement Dated 22-10-2013 executed by Sri. Srinivasamurthy T A in favour of Sri. T A Murthy registered as Document No.2858/2013-14, Book-1, stored in CD No.169, in the office of Sub-Registrar, Tavarekere, Bengaluru.
3. Cancellation of Sale Agreement dated 20-10-2014 executed by Sri. T A Murthy in favour of Sri. Srinivasamurthy T A registered as Document No.2605/2014-15, Book-1, stored in CD No.201, in the office of Sub-Registrar, Tavarekere, Bengaluru.
4. Sale Agreement dated 22-06-2018 executed by Sri. Narayana in favour of Smt. Varalakshmi registered as Document No.1215/2018-19, Book-1, stored in CD No.253, in the office of Sub-Registrar, Tavarekere, Bengaluru.
5. Cancellation of Sale Agreement dated 28-11-2018 executed by Smt. Varalakshmi in favour of Sri. Narayana registered as Document No.3515/2018-19, Book-1, stored in CD No.258, in the office of Sub- Registrar, Tavarekere, Bengaluru.
6. Sale Agreement dated 06-02-2021 executed by Sri. Narayana in favour of Sri. Aravinda S, registered as Document No.2224/2020-21, Book-1, stored in CD No.776, in the office of Sub-Registrar, Tavarekere, Bengaluru.

A complaint dated 04-10-2024, bearing Lost Article Report No. G.S.C. No. P00277240600575 for the loss of Original above Documents/Deeds are lodged in this regard, If said original property document find it kindly return to the address below and if any objections from anybody may submit within **07 days** from the date of publication of this public notice

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of property bearing Site No.22, Property bearing No.59/3/22, old VP Khatha No.4009, formed out of converted land measuring 1 Acre 36 Guntas in Sy.No.59/3 vide conversion order dated 30-07-2012 bearing No. ALN (ST) SR03/2012-13 of Tavarekere Village, Tavarekere Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, measuring East to West: 40 feet and North to South: 30 feet, in all measuring 1200 Sq.ft. and bounded on:

East by : Site No. 17,
West by : Road,
North by : Site No.21,
South by : Site No.23.

S.B. ANGADI ADVOCATE & ASSOCIATES
No-287/A 1st Floor, 6th Main, 2nd Stage, Near Modi Hospital, Mahalakshmipuram, Bengaluru, Bangaluru-560086. Mob: 9743497929, 8050906949, Date:16-12-2024

Tumkur Grain Merchants Co-op Bank Ltd.,
Head Office : B.H. Road, Tumkur-572103, Karnataka,
Phone : 0816-2257636 / 4021102-103, Fax : 0816-2255905,
Email : tgmcb_ho@hotmail.com, tgmc.ho@tgmcbank.com, Website : www.tgmcbank.com

PRIVATE TREATY - SALE NOTICE - SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES UNDER SARFAESI, 2002

(1) Mr. Vikram Prabhakar S/o Late. Prabhakar B L, **(2) Smt Aishwarya** W/o Vikram Prabhakar, **Both are residing at:** #665/6, 7th Cross, Bandappa Street, Yeshwanthpur, Bangalore - 22. **(3) Sri. Manjunatha Ravindra** S/o Ravindra Srinivasa Murthy, No-1, Golden Line Apartment, No 18/2 B, Ramaiah Road, Yeshwanthpur, Bangalore - 22.

Sub: Notice under Sub-Rule (8) of Rule 8 of The Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002).

Ref: Financial Assistance granted to **Mr. Vikram Prabhakar** (the "Borrower") dated **21.06.2016.**

We, **Tumkur Grain Merchants Co-Op Bank Ltd.,** Head Office, B H Road Tumkur and having its one of the branch at R T Nagar, No.544, 3rd main, 3rd cross, 2nd Block R T Nagar Bangalore-32 ("the Bank") state as under:

Please refer to the possession notice of the immovable property situated at Property belongs to **Mr. Vikram Prabhakar**

1) All the Piece and Parcel of Residential apartment bearing No. A-212, Second floor measuring to a total extent of 961Sq.ft of Super Built up Area(2BHK) in Block A, undivided share measuring to an extent of 326sq.ft in the building known as 'VAISHNAVI MANDARA' along with One COVERED Car parking space in the basement, along with all the right, title, interest and possession, common areas, open spaces, terraces, staircases, lifts / Elevators, Electrical and water pump room situated in the basement floor of the building, Bore-well area provided in the Schedule 'A, B & C' Property and common passages inside and outside the building.

2) All the Piece and Parcel of Residential apartment bearing No. A-312, Third floor measuring to a total extent of 961Sq.ft of Super Built up Area(2BHK) in Block A, undivided share measuring to an extent of 326sq.ft in the building known as 'VAISHNAVI MANDARA' along with One COVERED Car parking space in the basement, along with all the right, title, interest and possession, common areas, open spaces, terraces, staircases, lifts / Elevators, Electrical and water pump room situated in the basement floor of the building, Bore-well area provided in the Schedule 'A, B & C' Property and common passages inside and outside the building.

3) All the Piece and Parcel of Residential apartment bearing No.B-409, Fourth floor measuring to a total extant of 1500Sq.ft of Super Built up Area(2BHK) in Block -B, undivided share measuring to an extent of 509sq.ft in the building known as 'VAISHNAVI MANDARA' along with One COVERED Car parking space in the basement, along with all the right, title, interest and possession, common areas, open spaces, terraces, staircases, lifts / Elevators, Electrical and water pump room situated in the basement floor of the building, Bore-well area provided in the Schedule 'A, B & C' Property and common passages inside and outside the building.

Which is enumerated in detail below in Schedule issued to you on **16.12.2024** and the publication of the earlier sale notice in **Indian Express & Kannada Prabha** on **17.12.2024** by the Bank for the purpose of realization of secured assets in exercise of the powers conferred on the secured creditor under the provisions of Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and the Rules there under. Till date, you have not made payment to the Bank towards discharge of your liabilities in full and hence we propose to sell the aforesaid immovable property by way of private treaty in case you fail to redeem your property.

We had fixed reserve price of the aforesaid schedule immovable properties at Rs.1,53,99,000/- (Rupees One Crore Fifty Three Lakh Ninety Nine Thousand Only) and the issuance of Demand notice & Possession Notice and publication of the same in Indian Express & Kannada Prabha newspapers you have not come forwarded to settle the dues.

We hereby give you notice of Fifteen days that you are entitled to redeem the schedule properties by making payment of our dues with all costs, charges, expenses any time on or before the expiry of 15 days from the date of this notice. On your failure to redeem your property by paying our dues we shall be constrained to sell the security by entering into private treaty.

The Bank has identified the buyer namely

1	K Harish Nayak & Roopa Prabhu	Flat No A-212	961 Sq Ft	Rs.43,24,500/-
2	Krishna Prasad R & Vanishree S	Flat No A-312	961 Sq Ft	Rs.43,24,500/-
3	Vipin A S & Nisha B	Flat No B-409	1500 Sq Ft	Rs.67,50,000/-
		Total Reserve Price		Rs. 1,53,99,000/-

who is willing to purchase the below schedule property at a price of **Rs.1,53,99,000/- (Rupees One Crore Fifty Three Lakh Ninety Nine Thousand Only).** If you failed to comply with the mandates of this notice, we would be constrained to dispose of the property to the best quote received by the Bank and sale proceeds received will be credited to your Loan account. Further you are also requested to refer us the buyers who can offer more price that the offer received by interested buyer within next 15 days from today.

The Bank further reserves its liberty to recover the balance dues by selling other properties also.

SCHEDULES

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Date : 16.12.2024 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Bangalore **TUMKUR GRAIN MERCHANTS CO-OPERATIVE BANK LTD.,**

RAJASTHAN RAJYA VIDYUT PRASARAN NIGAM LIMITED

NOTICE INVITING BID

SE/ MIS_IT/ 9024002410 (UBN-VPN2425SLOB02290)

Online e-Bids are invited for Asset Mapping of EHV Transmission Line Towers using High Resolution Stereo Satellite Imageries and Creation of Web Enabled GIS Based Software Application of EHV Lines/Towers with AMC period of 5 Years upto 04:00 PM on 16.01.2025.

Other particulars of bid are available on the website **https://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in**, **https://sppp.rajasthan.gov.in** and **https://energy.rajasthan.gov.in/rrvpn**.

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RRVPN/TR-6523/2024
Raj.Samwad/C/24/9190

Superintending Engineer (MIS& IT)

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED

CIN: U40109KA1999SGC025521

No:952/Gadag/EE(E)/E-No-/2024-25/5782 **Dated: 13.12.2024**

TENDER NOTIFICATION

(Through KPP Portal Only)

KPTCL invites following Office tenders pertaining to Transmission Lines and Sub-Stations Division, Gadag:

(1) Supplying of 110KV Lightening Arrestor at **110KV S/s Dambal.** **(2)** Arresting Oil leakage of 20MVA 110/33KV Power Transformer T&R make transformer at **110KV S/s Bellatti.** **(3)** Supplying of 01 No of 33kV Potential Transformers for 33KV Bank at **110kV S/s Dambal.** **(4)** Replacement of 04 No's of 2 ton Capacity Compressors of Air Condition unit at **400KV S/s Doni.** **(5)** Supplying of 03 No's of 220KV Lightening Arrestors Surge Counters to HV side of the 100MVA Transformer-3 at **220KV S/s Gadag.** **(6)** Supplying of 02 No's of 96KV, 110KV Class Lightening Arrestors at **220KV S/s Gadag.**

Enquiry Details may be obtained from the office of the undersigned from **17-12-2024 at 10:00Hrs onwards.** Last date for submission of tender: **31-12-2024 upto 04:00 pm.**

Sd/- Executive Engineer (Ele),
TL & SS Division, KPTCL, Bapuji Nagar, Gadag-582103

Sanjay Gandhi Post Graduate Institute of Medical Sciences
Raebareli Road, Lucknow - 226014, Phones : 0522-2494038, 2668004-8, 2668700, 2668800, 2668900
E Mail : jdmm@sgpgi.ac.in, jdmmsgpgims@gmail.com

E-TENDER NOTICE

On-line offers are invited from Manufacturer /Authorized Importers/ Authorized distributors/ Dealers (Declared by Principal Firm only) **for the supply and installation of medical equipments & other capital items for various departments of the Institute such as Robotic Digital Surgical Microscope, Operating Microscope for ENT, Advanced ICU Ventilator, Dead Body Mortuary Machines, Cold Rooms, Advanced Cardiac Monitor, ROTEM, Portable Ultrasound, Syringe Infusion Pump, OT Table, Endovision Surgical Work Station, High Resolution Manometery System, Heart Lung Machine, Graft flow meter, Deep Freezer's, Upgradation of existing PET/CT & Cyclotron, Steam Sterilizer, IT & Network items for HIS, Benchtop next generation sequencer, Benchtop Refrigerated Centrifuge etc.,** as per tender conditions, as stipulated in the tender documents. Tender documents duly filled will be submitted in two bid system i.e. technical bid and price bid.

The tenders will be published either on e-tender portal or GeM Portal, as the case may be The offer will be accepted On-Line only on e-tender portal or GeM portal whichever is applicable with terms and conditions as mentioned In tender documents,

For detailed information like name of equipments, date of submission and opening of tender etc., you may please visit the e-tender portal / GeM Portal. The Director reserves the right to accept or reject any tenders in part or full without assigning any reason thereof. In case any legal dispute; the legal jurisdiction shall be court of law at Lucknow (UP), India.

Advt. No. I/22/JDMM/2024-25 **Director**

FIRST DEATH ANNIVERSARY

RAJIV C G
DOD: 17 Dec 2023

We miss you every moment.

A tribute of love from the loving family
Anitha (Wife), Joyce Gopinath (Mother) Arya and Durga (Daughters), Vishnu (Son-in-law) No 47, RR Layout, Bangalore-56

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PUBLIC AUCTION (OFFLINE) OF GOLD ORNAMENTS

The under mentioned persons are hereby informed that they have failed to pay off the liability in the gold loan accounts. Notices sent to them by Registered Post have been returned / undelivered, to the Bank. They are therefore requested to pay off the liability and other charges and redeem the pledged securities on or before **24.12.2024** failing which the said securities will be sold by the Bank in public auction at the cost of the borrower at the respective Bank's branch premises at **12.00 P.M.to 4.00 P.M** on **24.12.2024** or on any other convenient date thereafter without further notice, at the absolute discretion of the Bank. Names of the Branch, Name of the Borrower, Loan account Numbers and Loan Amounts are mentioned hereunder:

Sl. No	Branch Name	Borrowers Name	Loan A/c. No.	Loan Amount	Contact No.
1.	AVATHI	RAMAKRISHNA G	180024069457	38,000.00	9618087930
2.	DODDABALLAPUR	PUSHPA	180022446732	37,000.00	8309209039
3.	DODDABALLAPUR	LAKSHMI L	180330776769	1,63,000.00	8309209039
4.	YELIYUR	NAGARATHINAMMA	180268878386	95,000.00	9739426644

Palce: Bengaluru Date :16.12.2024 Sd/- Manager

PUBLIC NOTICE

The General public are hereby notified that, our clients have agreed to purchase the Schedule property from its Owners **SRI.YOGANANDA.B.J S/o Sri.Javare Gowda and SMT.GEETHA.Y,** residing at No.115, 1st Cross, Neelakanteshwara Layout, Mangammana Palya, Begaluru-560068. The Owners represent that, their previous owner Sri.Chandrashekar.G had misplaced/lost the original title deeds and documents of the Schedule Property i.e., (i)Allotment letter dated 13/03/2002 bearing No.BDA/DS-3/1198/VII-BLK/BSK.6/2001-2002, issued by BDA to Sri.Chandrashekar.G and (ii)Absolute Sale Deed dated 21/08/2002 executed by BDA in favour of Sri.Chandrashekar.G, registered as document No.5592/2002-03, in Book-1, Volume No.605, at Pages 167 to 173, in the Office of the Additional District-Registrar, Bengaluru Urban District and to that effect the said Sri.Chandrashekar.G has lodged a police complaint on 06/04/2021 vide Lost Report No.090046/2021 and another complaint dated 01/08/2022 vide Lost Report No.0282052/2022, with the Bengaluru City Police. Further the Owners represent that theyhave not deposited or otherwise handed over the said original deeds and documents to any person/s or Bank or institution and that the Ownershave a freehold subsisting marketable title to the Schedule Property.

Apart from the said Owners, if any person has any manner of claim, right, title, interest or demand of any nature in or over the Schedule Property orany person/s having custody of the said original deeds and documents, they are hereby called upon to file their objections along with the photocopies of the documents on which they are relying, with the undersigned within **14 (Fourteen) days** from the date of publication of this notice. Objection/s received thereafter will not be binding on our clients.

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All that piece and parcel of the vacant residential **BDA Site bearing No.1198**, PID No.3320070090, measuring East to West 12 Mtrs and North to South 9 Mtrs, in all measuring 108 Sq.Mtrs, situated at **Banashankari 6 th Stage, 7 th Block,** Bengaluru and bounded on the:

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IF YOU'RE GOING THROUGH HELL, KEEP GOING › WINSTON CHURCHILL

Health and Family Welfare Minister Dinesh Gundu Rao acknowledged in the Legislative Council that 32,870 out of 69,915 sanctioned posts across all cadres remain vacant in the health department. He explained that while many of these positions have been filled with contract employees, thousands of vacancies remain

BJP DEMANDS CBI PROBE INTO MANIPPADY 'BRIBE'

We welcome Siddu's stand on central agency probe, says Vijayendra

SUBHASHCHANDRA NS
@ Belagavi

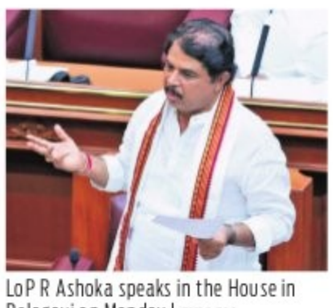
BJP on Monday demanded a CBI inquiry into the allegation of Rs 150 crore bribe offered by party president BY Vijayendra to former Minority Commission chairperson Anwar Manippady that was mentioned by Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and RDPR Minister Priyank Kharge.

Assembly proceedings on Monday started with BJP members objecting to Priyank Kharge's accusation made on the floor of the House on Thursday. Kharge had alleged that Vijayendra offered Rs 150 crore to Manippady, a BJP member, not to raise the issue of Waqf land encroachment. Manippady, when he was the Karnataka Minority Commission chairman during the BJP government in the state, had submitted a report on the encroachment of waqf land in the state and the involvement of several Congress leaders in it.

Siddaramaiah, while repeating the allegation, had said the issue should be handed over to the CBI for an inquiry.

Vijayendra on Monday said, "The minister made the allegations in the House in my absence which was uncalled for. It was repeated by Siddaramaiah. It is a baseless allegation."

He challenged Siddaramaiah to order a CBI inquiry, but mentioned that along with it, the probe should also cover waqf land encroachment as per the Manippady report and the MUDA scam, which is being probed by an SIT. "I am happy that Siddaramaiah has expressed his faith in a central investigation agency like the CBI, which he did not have earlier when the demand was made for a CBI investigation into the MUDA scam. He can order the investigation as he has the discretionary powers. I challenge him to order a CBI probe," he said, adding, "I am not at all concerned about it." Vijayendra also demanded that the minister apologise for his statement.



LoP R Ashoka speaks in the House in Belagavi on Monday | EXPRESS

Assembly Opposition Leader R Ashoka said Kharge made allegations abruptly without giving any prior notice. Kharge replied that his statement was based on Manippady's interview a few years ago and other media reports. The issue saw heated arguments between BJP and Congress legislators. Vijayendra had earlier rejected the charge, saying why would he pay bribes to protect Congress leaders involved in the waqf land encroachment issue.

IF CLAIMS FALSE, WHY BJP DIDN'T ACT AGAINST MANIPPADY: PRIYANK

RDPR Minister **Priyank Kharge** questioned the BJP leaders as to why the previous government did not take action against Anwar Manippady, former chairman of the Karnataka Minority Commission, if his allegations that BJP state president Vijayendra offered him bribes to cover up the former's report on Waqf property encroachments are false. Kharge hit out at the BJP for allegedly making needless claims against the Congress over the Waqf issue and said the BJP had been spreading misinformation about Wakf properties. "The BJP leaders are giving false information to the Assembly that if the names are entered in the RTC, all such lands will be grabbed. A misleading piece of information on the Waqf issue, on social media, was shared by the Bengaluru South MP, which was later deleted. Needlessly, confusion is being created on this issue in the state," he claimed.

Recalling Vijayendra's statement in the Assembly that false allegations were being levelled against him, Kharge said the allegations were not being made against Vijayendra, but clarification was sought on what actually happened.

PAYING HOMAGE

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah unveils oil paintings of Dr BR Ambedkar, Swami Vivekananda, and Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose in the Assembly Hall of Suvarna Vidhana Soudha, in Belagavi on Monday | EXPRESS

Panchamasali movement faces hurdles from within community, BJP

DEVARAJ B HIREHALLI
@ Bengaluru

EVEN as Panchamasali Lingayat seer Jaya Mrityunjaya Swamiji has intensified the protest demanding the 2A tag for the community, differences of opinion among community leaders and BJP's non-committal stand have turned setbacks for the movement. The debate is now centred around whether the community should pursue the 2A or 2D tag.

BJP, which wants the Hindu block undivided for its long-term plan, seems to have realised that batting for the cause of one community, which anyway supports the saffron party, could invite the backlash of other backward class communities, sources said.

That was the reason why party senior leader Basanagouda Patil Yatnal clarified that the community will no more demand the 2A tag from the state government, but will fight for the 2D tag in the Supreme Court. He meant that the community will pursue the matter as decided by the previous Basavaraj Bommai government on reallocation of quota by scrapping 4% reservation for Muslims, who were entitled under 2B. The 4% quota had been shared equally among Lingayats under 2D by abolishing 3B and Vokkaligas under 2C by abolishing 3A by raising their portion of their reservation from 5% to 7% and 4% to 6%, respectively. Lingayats, including Panchamasalis, Marathas, Bunts and Christians benefit from 3B and Yatnal wishes not to disturb the arrangement.

A Muslim group had challenged the Bommai government's decision in the Supreme Court, which ordered a status quo, and the then government had filed an affidavit. Now, Yatnal likes to pursue the matter in the Supreme Court on scrapping the 4 per cent quota for Muslims.

Though BJP does not want its Hindu vote bank divided, it has taken up the Panchamasali issue as Congress had promised to consider the 2A tag for Panchamasalis when it was in opposition, but has made a U-turn with CM Siddaramaiah asserting that the community's demand is 'unconstitutional', sources said.

'Belagavi session just a 10-day trip for legislators'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Belagavi

GURAMITKAL JDS MLA Sharanagouda Kandakur mocked Belagavi's winter Assembly session held here each year, by terming it a 10-day annual trip for legislators.

The first-time MLA began with an unexpected statement that the 10-day session is a waste of time, and he will not thank the Speaker for the opportunity given to speak about the problems of North Karnataka.

"This is not an Assembly session. You are all touring this region for 10 days at a cost of Rs 20-25 crore. But what you do not understand is that people come with their problems, thinking that we would discuss them. They hope for solutions, but we 96 legislators from Uttara Karnataka -- 43 from Kalyan Karnataka and 53 from Kittur Karnataka -- do nothing for the people," he rued.

Highlighting the recent deaths of postpartum women in Ballari, Kandakur said, "It's been eight days since five people died. Is there nobody to listen? They announced compensation for the families of the deceased, but have you thought about what happens to the children they gave birth to? Who will take care of them?" he questioned.

Mocking the process of functioning of the legislature, Kandakur warned, "If we continue like this, the people will not like it. We just blame each other. There will be questions and answers, and then we blame each other, before returning to Bengaluru. Nothing happens for the next one year."

Milk procurement price has been reduced: Farmer

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WHILE dairy farmers from the Scheduled Caste community have to be paid Rs 6.85 crore for October, ST farmers are yet to receive Rs 9 crore for October and November 2024. He said it will be cleared in installments.

Farmers' leader Kuruburu Shanthakumar told *TNIE* that apart from not paying incentives, farmers are given one rupee less per litre of milk procured. There are about 38 lakh dairy farmers in the state and more than 90% of them are women. "The state government speaks about women's empowerment, but is silent on payment of incentives to them," he said.

According to Shanthakumar, the incentives to be paid to dairy farmers amounted to over Rs 1,000 crore.

Lathamani Basavaraju, a dairy farmer, said she has not received any incentive for milk procured from her from February 2024. "Moreover, the milk procurement price has been reduced. I was getting Rs 34 per litre and now, I am being paid Rs 32.27. When we questioned, they stated that they don't have money," she added.

The government hiked the price in June, claiming that the quantity of milk in sachets has been increased. Chief Minister Siddaramaiah defended the move stating that farmers will be benefitted by this. "Though the government has increased the milk price, the money collected is not being given to farmers," said Lakshmavva, a dairy farmer from Ramanagara.

Assembly passes bill to prevent children from falling into borewells

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@ Belagavi

THE Karnataka Groundwater (Regulation and Control of Development and Management) (Amendment) Bill passed in the Legislative Assembly on Monday proposes stringent measures to prevent children falling into uncapped newly drilled borewells.

Drilling and implementing agencies will face one-year jail in addition to Rs 25,000 fine if they are found guilty of not closing the lid of newly drilled borewells effectively and tightly.

The bill specifies that owners drilling borewells should intimate local authorities at least 15 days prior to sinking wells, drilling and implementing agencies should close the lid of the borewell soon after drilling with a steel cap tightened with nuts and bolts, local authorities should ascertain effective closure of borewells within 24 hours by taking photos, a joint declaration should be submitted to authorities after closing the borewell lid, defunct borewells should be closed with soil, slush and thorns and a fence should be placed around it and a signboard alerting people about drilled borewells should be displayed on the spot.

Explaining the bill, Minor Irrigation Minister NS Bose Raju said, "The state is witnessing a steady decline in groundwater levels due to rampant drilling of borewells. The bill aims to prevent accidents and ensure sustainable management of groundwater resources. After the approval in the Assembly, it will be tabled in the Council during the current legislature session."

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah addresses the Assembly, as Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar and Revenue Minister Krishna Byregowda look on, in Belagavi on Monday

Assembly Opposition Leader R Ashoka welcomed the Bill, but wanted the government to impose a higher penalty and jail term to the accused.

Bill to protect interest of depositors passed

On the Karnataka Protection of Interest of Depositors in Financial Establishment (Amendment) Bill 2024, passed in the Assembly on Monday, Revenue Minister Krishna Byregowda said the bill has been brought about to protect the interest of depositors and give justice to them from unauthorised financial institutions and Ponzi scheme operators. He said that many gullible people have become victims of such fraudulent financial institutions that offer bigger returns and exploit poor depositors.

The bill proposes to put an end to cheating by several illegal and fraudulent finance units and ensure stringent punishment to companies operating schemes like chain link, chit fund, pyramid etc.

Byregowda said the bill was introduced in 2003-04 after poor people suffered huge financial losses after investing in fake schemes like Vinni Vink Deposit Scheme during that time. The issue had led to a massive debate in the assembly leading to the passage of the bill, he said.

But, he regretted, people continued to be cheated by fake finance companies, though the bill was passed 20 years ago. He said the bill was amended to ensure effective implementation of the rules. It was brought about after extensive consultation with officials over the past two years and based on past experiences.

THE OTHER IMPORTANT BILLS PASSED IN THE ASSEMBLY ARE...

The Basavanabagewadi Development Authority Bill, the Karnataka State Universities (Amendment) Bill, the Karnataka Tourism Ropeways Bill, the Chanakya University (Amendment) Bill, the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (Second Amendment Bill) and Karnataka Motor Vehicle Taxation (Second Amendment Bill).

The state is witnessing a steady decline in groundwater levels due to rampant drilling of borewells. The bill aims to prevent accidents and ensure sustainable management of groundwater resources.

NS Bose Raju, Minister

Karnataka Border Area Development Authority Chairman Somanna Bevinmarad addresses the media in Belagavi on Monday | EXPRESS

Border Area Development Authority to establish office in Suvarna Soudha

SUNIL PATIL @ Belagavi

MEMBERS of the Karnataka Border Area Development Authority (KBADA) met in the border area for the first time on the occasion of 'Karnataka Suvarna Sambhrama' and the ongoing winter legislative session in Belagavi. The meeting passed a resolution to start a regional office of the authority at Suvarna Vidhana Soudha, said its Chairman Somanna Bevinmarad.

He told the media on Monday, "In the past seven months of my tenure, I have travelled to 19 districts and 63 taluks in the border areas of Goa, Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh and Telangana and found many problems faced by Kannada schools and Kannadigas. Kannada schools in Maharashtra have no Kannada teachers, there is a demand for Kannada Bhavan in Goa and a demand for reservation for Kannada medium students. We thoroughly discussed these issues and passed resolutions at our meeting here."

The meeting decided to send the proposal to start the regional office of the authority at Suvarna Vidhana Soudha to the staff and administrative improvements department. The meeting passed a resolution for the supplementary budget of Rs 50 crore to the authority to carry out more activities. It was decided to bring the authority within the ambit of the planning department as per the report of administrative improvements commission.

The meeting decided to write to the Maharashtra government to appoint Kannada teachers to schools. The authority decided to seek reservation for Kannada medium students in higher education and employment. It is sending a proposal to the Assembly and Council to pass a resolution condemning the statements of leaders of Maharashtra seeking the merger of Belagavi into Maharashtra. The authority will address problems of Kannadigas in other states and seek funds to purchase land to construct Kannada Bhavan in Goa, Bevinmarad said.

FROM RAGI MUDDE TO KAAYI HOLIGE...

Relish delicacies from across K'taka at Kannada Sahitya Sammelana

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

AMID the demand for non-vegetarian food at the 87th Kannada Sahitya Sammelana to be held in Mandya, the Kannada Sahitya Parishat (KSP), the organiser, is gearing up to provide vegetarian food to those attending the event from across Karnataka.

The organisers are expected to set up 120 food counters for the three-day Kannada convention, which is being held in Mandya after three decades.

There has been a demand from various organisations and individuals to serve non-vegetarian food during the sammelana. They even appealed to the organisers and staged a protest near the Mandya DC office.

Speaking to The New Indian Express, KSP president Mahesh Joshi said that the food committee of the sammelana is working on it. "This is not Mandya Sammelana, but Kannada Sammelana, and it is for the entire state. Therefore, we want to provide a wide variety of food from across Karnataka to the visitors," he said.

KSP sources said that they have over 2,000 people who will be working at the 120 counters, and there will be 1,200 cooks. Ragi mudde, kaalu palya, avrekaalu saaru, jowar rotti, ennegaayi palya, ragi dose, tomato rice bath, thatte idli, vade, and akki rotti, and in desserts, kaayi holige and many more will be served. The food counters will be open from 7 am to 11 pm daily.

Though there is a demand for non-vegetarian food, the organisers likely to serve only vegetarian food for various reasons, including the cost.

Interestingly, in the previous editions of the sammelana, non-vegetarian food was not served.

MIN MEETS ACTIVISTS WANTING NON-VEG FOOD AT SAMMELANA

MYSURU: With Kannada activists and progressive organisations demanding the Mysuru district administration to include non-vegetarian fare on the menu, at the 87th Kannada Sahitya Sammelana, district in-charge minister N Chaluvarayaswamy held talks with them. Chaluvarayaswamy, along with Food Committee Chairman Ramesh Bandi Siddegowda and others, sought opinions of the activists, saying that everyone should work for the success of the Kannada language meet and appealed to people to join the marathon for Kannada. "I will hold a meeting and will take a final call in this regard," he added. The activists said they want non-vegetarian food, including chicken and eggs, to be served inclusively. "The misconception has to be removed and discrimination in food habits must be ended in a democratic system," they stated, adding that Mandya is a Kannada-dominated district and a majority of the citizens here are non-vegetarians.

A new case of M-Pox disease has been confirmed in a Wayanad native who returned from Abu Dhabi. The person is undergoing treatment at Kannur Government Medical College. Kannur GMCH superintendent Dr K Sudeep said the patient remains stable

KRISHNA CAN'T BE RECOGNISED AS MS AWARDEE, RULES APEX COURT

Order passed on an appeal filed by grandson of MS Subbulakshmi against Madras HC order

SUCHITRA KALYAN MOHANTY
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THE Supreme Court on Monday, in an interim order, ruled that Carnatic vocalist TM Krishna should not be recognised as the recipient of the MS Subbulakshmi award.

A two-judge bench of Justices Hrishikesh Roy and SVN Bhatti passed the order on an appeal filed by V Shrinivasan, grandson of MS Subbulakshmi, against a Madras High Court order.

Shrinivasan had submitted that the singer had made vile and scandalous remarks against Subbulakshmi on social media and has been maligning the reputation of the late singer.

"Conferring the award on Krishna, who had questioned the credibility of the late singer in the world of Carnatic music, should not be legally permitted as it would amount to conferring a Bhakti prize on an atheist," he said in his plea.

Allowing Shrinivasan's appeal, the apex court said, "As an interim measure, since it has already been awarded, we deem it apt to say that the fourth defendant TM Krishna should not be recognised as a recipient of the MS Subbulakshmi award."

TM Krishna

The bench also issued notice to Krishna, the Music Academy, and a publishing firm, seeking their replies in four weeks, and posted the matter for further hearing after that.

The bench said that it is mindful of the respect and honour that MS Subbulakshmi commands among music lovers across the spectrum.

"She is one of the most distinguished singers and although she passed away in December 2004, her melodious voice continues to bring great joy to her fans," the bench said.

On Friday, the SC had refused an urgent hearing on the plea filed by Shrinivasan challenging a Madras High Court order allowing the conferment of the award on TM Krishna.

The Additional Solicitor General (ASG) N Venkataraman, appearing for Shrinivasan, had made an oral request for an urgent hearing since the award is to be given on Sunday. The CJI bench, however, had turned down the request and fixed the date of hearing on Monday. When Venkataraman said the matter would become infructuous by then, the CJI replied that the award could be taken back if the court finds any merit in the challenge.

Earlier, a single judge of the Madras HC, Justice S Jayachandran, had passed an order barring the conferment of the award, stating that it was against her wish and mandate. The single bench clarified that the Sangita Kalanidhi Award and cash prize can be given to Krishna but not in the name of MS Subbulakshmi. However, that order was later set aside by a two-judge High Court bench which allowed the award to be presented to Krishna.

Tulsi Gowda, 'Encyclopedia of forest', passes away at 86

AMIT S UPADHYE @Ankola

LEGENDARY tree planter and Padma Shri awardee Tulsi Gowda passed away at her residence in Honnali village of Ankola taluk in Uttara Kannada district on Monday evening. She was 86.

Tulsi had started working in the forest department's plant nursery from a young age. As a child, she frequently visited nurseries and developed a deep interest in growing saplings. She is credited with planting thousands of trees in Ankola and its surroundings, many of which have grown tall over the years. She is a recipient of the Padma Shri and Indira Priyadarshini Vriksha Mitra awards.

Known as the 'Encyclopedia of Forest', Tulsi Gowda belonged to the Halakki community of Uttara Kannada district. She is survived by her two children and many well-wishers. The Karnataka forest department recognised her exceptional talent in nurturing saplings, granting her a special status as staffer and allowed her to continue working even after retirement.

A.N. Yellappa Reddy, a retired forest officer who helped Tulsi gain recognition, expressed his condolences. "It's a big loss for the state. As a nursery worker, she had a unique talent for growing saplings. She had magic in her hands when it came to growing trees. She knew exactly how deep to plant each seed and also the right mixture of soil, sand and fertilisers. The saplings planted by Tulsi showed significantly better growth compared to those from other nurseries," he recalled.

Dressed in traditional Halakki costume, a barefoot Tulsi Gowda receives the Padma Shri award from then President Ram Nath Kovind in 2021

Dinesh Holla, a noted environmentalist from the Sahyadri Sanchaya organisation in Mangaluru, who had long been associated with the Halakki community and Tulsi Gowda, praised her unparalleled knowledge of plants and forests. "She had immense knowledge about plants and the forest. More than planting, she was known for nurturing saplings and caring for plants as they grew. Her famous line was 'It's not important how many plants you have planted, what matters is how much care you've given to those saplings.'"

Tulsi had been unwell for the past few months. After suffering a stroke, she was bedridden. Her last rites are likely to be performed at her native village in Ankola on Tuesday.

Dinakar Shetty, MLA Kumta-Honnavar, condoled the demise of Tulsi Gowda and stated that the state has lost the mother of trees. "We speak of growing trees but in reality Tulsi Gowda nurtured lakhs of trees that are giving us shade today," he said.

Winter will be shorter, not severe this year in south-interior K'taka

BOSKY KHANNA @ Bengaluru

THIS WINTER will be short and less chilly in most parts of south-interior Karnataka because of the formation of multiple systems from October to December.

According to India Meteorological Department (IMD) data and observations, in December alone, three synoptic systems formed, including a cyclone and low-pressure area. These have impacted the onset of winter in most parts of the state, especially south-interior and coastal regions.

"This time, both south west and north east monsoons were extended. Easterly winds continue to prevail even in December, bringing in moisture and rain, impacting the winter season in south-interior Karnataka. Winter has been delayed in southern districts of the state," said N Puviasaran, director incharge, IMD Bengaluru.

He said the formation of systems has led to rainfall, including heavy rainfall, in south-interior Karnataka and coastal regions. Also, many days saw the presence of cloud cover, impacting the dry winter spell, he added.

He explained that when easterly winds prevail, there is more rain and less winter. The winter chillness is likely to set in by the month-end in affected areas as another system is forming in the coming days.

As per IMD forecast, there is an upper air cyclonic circulation over south Andaman Sea and adjoining Bay of Bengal. Following this, a low-pressure area will form over Bay of Bengal in the coming days. An upper air cyclonic circulation over south east Arabian Sea and adjoining Lakshadweep area also persists.

Weathermen pointed to local factors playing a crucial role in short winter spells. They said increasing number of vehicles and emission, increasing construction activities and rise in number of buildings are impacting the season. "Areas surrounding buildings and other concrete spaces are holding a lot of heat. Winter chillness is not staying for long. The low temperature precipitation is prevailing for around 1-2 hours in urban areas against 3-4 hours in rural areas," another IMD official explained.

IMD forecasts severe cold wave

IMD on Monday forecast a severe cold wave condition over Vijayapura, Kalaburagi and Bidar and issued a red alert for the next three days, where the minimum temperatures will be around 7 degrees Celsius. IMD has also issued a yellow alert for Yadgir and Bagalkot for the next three days and these areas will experience minimum temperatures of 4-5 degrees Celsius below normal.According to IMD data, Bengaluru city on Monday recorded a minimum temperature of 15.5 degrees Celsius, while HAL and Kempegowda International Airport recorded minimum temperatures of 14.7 and 14.5 degrees Celsius, respectively. Bidar saw the lowest minimum temperature of 7.5 degrees Celsius, Vijayapura saw 8.5 degrees Celsius and Dharwad 11.8 degrees Celsius

RAINFALL IN B'LURU

Year	Month	Rainfall
2022	October	322.5 mm
2022	November	58.53 mm
2022	December	88 mm
2023	October	92.7 mm
2023	November	106.6 mm
2023	December	0.7 mm
2024	October	305.5 mm
2024	November	21.6 mm
2024*	December	93.8 mm

(*Till December 16, 2024)

NCC cadets pay tributes at the National Military Memorial Park in Bengaluru to mark Vijay Diwas on Monday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

VIJAY DIWAS CELEBRATED

Vijay Diwas was celebrated at the Headquarters, Training Command, Indian Air Force, in Bengaluru, with a wreath laying ceremony at the National Military Memorial on Monday. The event marks India's victory in the 1971 war against Pakistan, a win that secured the country's sovereignty and led to the creation of Bangladesh. The ceremony honoured brave soldiers of the Indian Armed Forces and their courage which continues to inspire future generations.

Researchers find new species of wasp at BRT

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@Mysuru

ASHOKA Trust for Research in Ecology and the Environment (ATREE) researchers Ranjith A P and Priyadarsanan Dharma Rajan recently discovered new species of parasitoid wasp at Biligiri Rangaswamy Temple (BRT) Tiger Reserve in Yalandur taluk of Chamarajanagar district.

The researchers have discovered a new species of wasp in four different parts of the country, including the BRT Tiger Reserve. They have found the new species of wasp in the Kalakkad in Mundanthurai Tiger Reserve in Tamil Nadu, the Siang Valley of Arunachal Pradesh and Tehri in Uttarakhand.

The wasp found in BRT Tiger Reserve had been named after Dr P Gourishankar, who worked on the research and conservation of the King Cobra. Just a few months ago, the researchers team had discovered a new species of lizard and wasp.

Speaking to media persons, Priyadarsanan said: "These findings will help in understanding the rich biodiversity of the Indian subcontinent and the roles of ecosystems and conserving biodiversity."

'Most authorities refuse to take action unless an FIR is filed'

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ACTIVISTS stated that there are countless cases, where girls become pregnant for the second time before reaching 18, yet their age is falsely recorded as above 19. During the first pregnancy, they are listed as aged 19, and during the second as 21, while they are still under 18.

"This is not only a clear evidence of systematic data manipulation, but also a blatant case of dereliction of duty by health officials," Vasudev Sharma, executive director, Child Rights Trust, said, blaming child marriage prohibition officers (CMPOs) in the state for it.

Child and women's rights activists said that in most cases, deputy commissioners, tahsildars, and officials from the Women and Child Development Department, who are designated as CMPOs, refuse to take action unless an FIR is filed.

Sharma said at the school-level, teachers and principals should monitor. School transfer certificates should not be issued in such cases. The cases should be pursued until conviction, he added.

Child rights expert Nagasimha Rao said relying on Aadhaar cards to verify age is problematic. "Workers such as auxiliary nurse midwives (ANMs), and anganwadi and ASHA workers often use the Aadhaar card as proof of age. However, according to the Prohibition of Child Marriages Act, 2021, documents provided by parents or guardians should be used for age verification," he said.

The family must provide the child's birth registration certificate. If that's unavailable, a primary school certificate or SSLC marks card should be submitted. If these are not available, a certificate attested by the district health officer along with an affidavit from parents confirming the child's age should be submitted as proof, experts said.

They stressed the need for a coordinated response from the police, health, education, and child welfare departments. Police officers, however, said they are rarely alerted by hospitals about teenage pregnancies. "When we get a call, we file a POCSO case and charge under the Prohibition of Child Marriage Act. But hospitals do not report at all. Even if they do, many officials avoid taking action if the girl is close to 17 or nearing 18," a senior police officer said.

Tribal man dragged for half km by car in Wayanad

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Kalpetta

IN a shocking incident, a 40-year-old tribal man was dragged along the road by a car driven by tourists for nearly half-a-kilometre. The incident took place on the Mananthavady-Pulpally route near Payyampally in Wayanad on Sunday evening.

Police have identified the accused as Arshid, a resident of Kaniyampatta in Wayanad, who has reportedly absconded. Three of Arshid's friends are also suspected to be involved in the heinous act. The police on Monday seized the car involved in the incident from near a house at Kaniyampatta.

The victim, Mathan, a resident of Koodalkadavu, sustained serious injuries to his legs and hands.

The incident followed an altercation between two groups of tourists visiting a checkdam near Payyampally. On seeing the heated exchange, Mathan intervened and tried to mediate. However, when the tourists were about to leave, one of the persons inside the car grabbed hold of Mathan's hand.

A video grab showing Mathan being dragged in Wayanad

Eyewitnesses said the car accelerated, dragging Mathan along the tarred road for nearly 500m. Despite his pleas, the car passengers allegedly continued driving until passersby intervened.

On Monday, the police seized the car from Kaniyampatta after a family informed them that the vehicle was parked near their house. The family identified the car from media reports about the incident. The car is registered in Malappuram and belongs to Muhammed Saif, a resident of Kuttippuram. Police recorded Mathan's statement at the hospital and registered a case.

EXPRESS READ

Jog Falls out of bounds from January 1 to March 15

SHIVAMOGGA: Jog Falls in Shivamogga's Sagar taluk will remain closed from January 1 to March 15 owing to ongoing development work, including construction of the main gate and enhancement of basic amenities. The temporary restriction aims to minimise inconvenience during the construction phase. The Deputy Commissioner, along with the Jog Management Authority, and its chief executive officer, urged visitors to cooperate. For details, contact 08182-251444. Jog Falls is one of India's highest waterfalls. Formed by the Sharavathi River, it plunges 830 feet in four distinct cascades - Raja, Rani, Roarer, and Rocket. ENS

Bigg Boss 10 runner-up Drone Pratap sent to jail

BENGALURU: Bigg Boss season 10 runner-up Drone Pratap, who had allegedly detonated sodium in a farm pond has been sent to Madhugiri sub jail on Monday. Medigeshi police who had taken him for three days of custody had produced him before the JMFC court, which ordered for ten days of judicial custody. A couple of weeks ago, he detonated the sodium metal at the farm pond at Janakaloti village, and uploaded the video on social media. As the concerned people raised the issue expressing concern over the safety while conducting such illegal acts, the police arrested him. The police conducted the mahazar of the spot, his house and the shop where he bought the sodium. His associates, Prajwal who helped him buy the sodium, and Vinay who had shot the video have also been arrested. ENS

TG guv gives permission to proceed against KTR

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Hyderabad

As expected, Governor Jishnu Dev Varma has accorded permission to law enforcement agencies to prosecute former minister KT Rama Rao for allegedly abusing power in conducting the Formula E race.

The Governor also gave his assent for the prosecution of IAS officer Arvind Kumar, the then special chief secretary, Municipal Administration & Urban Development department.

Revenue and I&PR Minister Ponguleti Srinivasa Reddy also said that the chief secretary will also lodge a formal complaint with the Anti Corruption Bureau (ACB). The minister also informed the media that the Cabinet discussed the gross irregularities that occurred in conducting the 'Formula E Race' during the BRS regime. "The Governor has accorded permission, and the law will take its own course," the minister said. He said that the ACB will also bring out the facts connected to the investments in Formula E race. He, however, said that he was unaware whether the law enforcement agencies would arrest the BRS working president or not.

The minister also made allegations that the BRS government had not obtained the permission of the RBI for foreign currency transfer, and the agreement was made when the Model Code of Conduct for the 2023 Assembly elections was in force. Indirectly referring to Rama Rao, Srinivasa Reddy said that some people were making statements "arrogantly". He, however, said that these people will have to answer the ACB and "everything" will come out in the investigation.

North TN to get heavy rain for 2 days

CHENNAI: The Regional Meteorological Centre (RMC) on Monday announced that a low-pressure area has formed over southeast Bay of Bengal and began its movement towards the Tamil Nadu coast. Heavy rains will commence over north coastal districts from Tuesday and will persist till Wednesday with varying intensity. Unlike the previous two weather systems, where delta and southern districts were belted with record rains, this time, Chennai region will witness the bulk of the rainfall activity, it said. The RMC has forecast rainfall ranging between 12cm and 20cm over the two days. The showers are expected to be widespread, with certain areas likely to experience intense spells. On Tuesday, heavy to very heavy rain is likely over Chengalpattu, Cuddalore, Villupuram and Mayiladuthurai districts and Puducherry, while heavy rain is expected over Chennai, Kancheepuram, Tiruvallur, Tiruvarur and Nagapattinam districts. Furthermore, a heavy to very heavy rain warning has been issued for Wednesday to Chennai, Chengalpattu, Tiruvallur, Kancheepuram, Cuddalore and Villupuram districts and Puducherry. In addition to heavy rainfall, the met office has issued warnings for squally weather along the South Tamil Nadu coast and adjoining areas.

KARNATAKA ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

No. 16 C-1, Millers Tank Bed Area, Vasanthanagara, Bengaluru-560052. Phone: 080-22268677/78/79 Fax: 080-22268667
Email: kerc-ka@nic.in Website: https://kerc.karnataka.gov.in

No: KERC/SC(F)/RPO/2024/1192 Date: 16.12.2024

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Sub: The Draft "KERC (Procurement of Energy from Renewable Sources) (Eleventh Amendment) Regulations, 2024.

The Commission has published the above draft Regulations, seeking objections / suggestions / views from Stakeholders and interested persons. The above draft was published in the Karnataka Gazette on 04.11.2024.

Meanwhile, the Commission has scheduled a **Public Hearing in the matter on 30.12.2024 in the Court Hall of the Commission at 11.00 AM.** Stakeholders / Interested Persons may participate in the hearing and submit their views in the person before the Commission. The above draft Regulations are available on the KERC's Website **https://kerc.karnataka.gov.in.**

Sd/- Secretary
DIPR/CP/3791/2024-25 For Karnataka Electricity Regulatory Commission

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED

(CIN : U40109KA1999SGC025521)

No: 506/BGM/SEE/Tr.(W&M)/C/EE(O)/AEE-1/24-25/6854-61 Dated: 13.12.2024

BRIEF TENDER NOTIFICATION

(Through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal Mode Only)

KPTCL invites tender on electronic mode vide Bid Enquiry Nos: **KPTCL/2024-25/SS/WORK_INDENT1635, 1636, 1637, 1638, 1639,1640 and 1641** for the following works on PTK basis:

1)Replacing BHEL make MCVCB switchgear (1IC + 5F plus+ 1BC +1AP) with MEI make MCVCB switchgear (1IC + 6F + 1CB + 1AP) at existing 110/33-11KV S/S Hidkal Dam in Hukkeri Tq in Belagavi Dist. 2) Providing additional 11KV MCVCB (1BC + 1IC + 3F + 1CB + 1AP) on 20MVA 110/11kV Power Transformer No.2 at existing 110/11KV Katakol Substation in Ramadurg Tq. Belagavi Dist. (RESERVED FOR SC). 3) Replacing AREVA make MCVCB switchgear (1IC + 5F + 1AP) with MEI make MCVCB switchgear (1IC + 5F + 1CB + 1AP) at existing 110/33-11KV S/S Sankeshwar in Hukkeri Tq. in Belagavi Dist . 4) Providing additional 4 Nos of 11KV MCVCB switchgears along with 2 Nos of 11KV Banks and 1 No of Annunciator panel to the existing 20MVA, 110/11KV power transformer at 110KV S/S Ramdurg in TL&SS Division, KPTCL, Belagavi. 5) Replacing BHEL make MCVCB switchgear (2IC + 10F + 1BC + 1AP) with MCVCB switchgear (2IC + 10F + 1BC + 1AP) at existing 110/33-11KV S/S Nippani in Belagavi Dist. 6) Replacement of AREVA make MCVCB switchgear (1IC + 5F) with MEI make MCVCB switchgear (1IC + 5F) at 110/33-11KV S/S Ramdurg in TL&SS Div., Belagavi (RESERVED FOR SC). 7) Replacing Retrofitted ABB make by MEI make MCVCB switchgear (1IC + 5F) and Bank1 Annonciation panel With MEI make MCVCB switchgear (1IC + 5F) with Annunciationpanel at existing 110/33-11KV S/S Bailhongal in TL&SS Div., Belagavi (RESERVED FOR ST).

The detailed notification regarding the works called through the "Karnataka Public Procurement Portal" mode can be obtained by logging onto E-procurement's website **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** on or after **4:00pm on 16.12.2024**. Other details can be obtained from the office of the undersigned.

Sd/- Superintending Engineer Ele., Transmission (W&M) Circle, KPTCL, Nehru Nagar, Belagavi-590010. Phone: 0831-2950835/36.

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE

Office of the Executive Engineer (Transport), 3rd Floor, Annexe-2 Building, N.R.Square, Bengaluru-560002.

No. EE(Transport)/TEND/02/2024-25 Date: 16.12.2024

INVITATION FOR TENDER (IFT)

Two cover System (Only through GoK KPP Portal)

The Executive Engineer (Transport), BBMP, Bengaluru on behalf the Chief Commissioner, BBMP invites Proposals (Technical & Financial) from eligible contractors registered in BBMP or equivalent registration with CPWD / KPWD / Railways / MES / National Highway or any State Govt. Organisations for the following work.

Sl. No.	Name of the Project	Amount put of tender (in Rs.)	EMD Amount (in Rs.)
1	Providing Services of Private Drivers to BBMP LMV Vehicles.	1,19,09,417/-	1,79,000/-

Period of Tender : **12 months.**

Calendar of Events: **(1)** IFT / RFP documents may be downloaded from KPP Portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in from 17.12.2024. (2)** Date of Pre-bid Meeting : **20.12.2024 at 15.30 hrs. in the Office of the Chief Engineer (Project-Central), 4th Floor, Annex-3 Building, BBMP. (3)** Last date for submission of proposals: **23.12.2024 upto 17.30 hrs. (4)** Date of opening of Technical proposals: **24.12.2024 after 17.30 hrs. (5)** After the approval of technical bid, Financial proposals will be opened. Further details may be obtained from the above office during office hours or from KPP Portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/- Executive Engineer (Transport)

Central Bank of India — Malleshwaram Branch

ಸೆಂಟ್ರಲ್ ಬ್ಯಾಂಕ್ ಆಫ್ ಇಂಡಿಯಾ / सेन्ट्रल बैंक ऑफ इंडिया / Central Bank of India

Malleshwaram Branch 100/107, Jayam Shopping Complex, Sampige Road, Malleshwaram, Bangalore-560003.

POSSESSION NOTICE under (Rule 8 (1)] (For immovable property)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the **Central Bank of India,** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 (No.3 of 2002) issued a Demand Notices dated **30.08.2024** issued, calling upon the **BORROWER : 1) Mr. Kannan Balakrishnan,** Flat No. 202, Site No. 119, Ward No. 192, Laven Gardenia, 8th Main, 9th Cross, Kammanahalli, Nobonagar, Bannerghatta Road, Bangalore-560076. **CO-BORROWER 1) Mrs. Priya .M,** Flat No. 202, Site No. 119, Ward No. 192, Laven Gardenia, 8th Main, 9th Cross, Kammanahalli, Nobonagar, Bannerghatta Road, Bangalore-560076 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs. 31,05,448.15/-** (Rupees Thirty One Lakh Five Thousand Four Hundred Forty Eight and Fifteen Paisa Only) as on 30.8.2024. and with interest at contractual rate and expenses thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 & 9 of the said rules, on **12th December 2024.**

The Borrowers in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **Central Bank of India** for an amount of **Rs. 30,33,579.15/-** (Rupees Thirty Lakhs Thirty Three Thousand Five Hundred Seventy Nine and Fifteen Paisa Only) as on 10-12-2024 and interest, + expenses, cost, charges, etc. thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to provision of Sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Description Of The Immovable Property : Schedule A Property (Detailed description of the secured asset/ Mortgaged Property/Hypothecated Goods) Immovable asset : All that piece and parcel of the residential property bearing Old Khatha No. 261 BBMP Khatha No. 820/654/119, Ward No. 192 measuring 2200 sqft, formed in the converted land, Sy No 16/3, 16/4 and 17/5 ordered by deputy commissioner, Bangalore District by his official memorandum in NO.BDIS.ALN,SR(S) 424/91:92, dated 08.06.1992 situated at Kalena Agrahara Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, presently comes under the limits of Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike (BBMP), Ward No. 192, New Municipal No 119 situated at Nobonagar, Bangalore and **bounded on : East :** Site No. 118, **West :** Site No. 120, **North :** Road, **South :** Private Property.

Complete detailed description of immovable property Land and Building and details of title deed with its boundaries : All that piece and parcel of the residential immovable property Flat No. 202 in the second floor of the building constructed on the Schedule A Property, having a super built up area of 1350 Sq ft with 342 sqft of undivided share right, title and interest in the Land comprised in the above-mentioned property and one car parking space in the stilt floor with vitrified flooring, RCC roofed, Aluminum windows and teakwood main door with service connection and further developments thereon and **bounded on : East :** Site No. 118, **West :** Site No 120, **North :** Road, **South :** Private Property.

Date : 12.12.2024 **Sd/-Authorised Officer**
Place : Bangalore **Central Bank of India**

Government of Karnataka — Zilla Panchayath, Chitradurga

Panchayath Raj Engineering Division, Chitradurga-577501

Email : zped.cta@gmail.com Office phone no: 08194-222372

No:EE/PRED/CTA/TEND/2024-25/2067 Date: 12.12.2024

TENDER NOTIFICATION

Executive Engineer, Pachayath Raj Engineering Division, chitradurga has invites works tender under Standard tender document under various for the year 2023-24 for 18 works for the Estimated Cost Minimum Rs. 8.00 lakhs Maximum 20.00 lakhs Total Rs:183.58 Lakhs. Further information obtained from the office during the office hours or any quarries contact (support@eprochelpdesk.com) or KPPP Helpdesk Phone No: tel:+91-8046010000, +91-8068948777 or office Telephone no. 08194-222372 at office of the Executive Engineer, P.R.E. Division, Chitradurga as dates below:-

(1) Last Date for information any quarries Date: 21.12.2024: Time: 11.00 **(2)** Last Date for Submitting the tender Date: 23.12.2024: Time: 16.00 **(3)** Last Date of Opening the Technical Bid Date: 24.12.2024: Time: 16.01 **(4)** Last Date of Opening the Financial Bid Date: 26.12.2024: Time: 16.02

Bi Further any quarries for tender contact (support@eprochelpdesk.com) or KPPP Helpdesk Phone No: tel:+91-8046010000, +91-8068948777 or Phone no.08194-222372 or Executive Engineer, P.R.E.Division, Chitradurga in office hours.

RO.No.435:DIPR/CTA/ KSMCA/2024-25 **Sd/- Executive Engineer P.R.E. Division, Chitradurga**

THE KARUR VYSYA BANK LTD

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SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/ charged to the Secured Creditor, **The Karur Vysya Bank Ltd,** the constructive/ physical (whichever is applicable) possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **The Karur Vysya Bank Ltd., Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** on **02.01.2025** for recovery of **Rs.1,73,98,946.81/- (Rupees One Crore Seventy Three Lakhs Ninety Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Fourty Six and Paise Eighty One Only)** due to **"The Karur Vysya Bank Ltd", Secured Creditor from (1) Mr. R Lingappa (Borrower)** S/o R Narasaiah, Near Ramaiah Thota, Karenahalli, Doddaballapur- 561203 **(2) Mrs. L Lalithamma, (Borrower)** W/o R Lingappa, Near Ramaiah Thota, Karenahalli, Doddaballapur-561203 **(3) Mr.D Jayaprakash, (Guarantor)** S/o D Kristappa, R/o Near Saraswathi School Road, Karenahalli, Doddaballapur- 561203 **(4) Mr K Govindappa,** S/o M K Chinnaroddappa, D.No: C 82, Opp: Ganesha Temple, Karenahalli, Doddaballapur-561203. **(5) Nareshbabu (Borrower),** S/o R Lingappa, 141, Beside Cable Ramesh House Karenahalli, Doddaballapura, Karnataka-561203. **The reserve price will be Rs. 70,00,000/- (Rupees Seventy Lakhs only) and the earnest money deposit will be Rs. 7,00,000/- (Rupees Seven Lakhs Only)**

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Entire Residential Built up at Site No: K.No. 1110/1110/45, Sy No:45, Karenahalli Village, 11th Division 2nd ward, Doddaballapur Town and Taluk, approximately measuring 31 x 39 Sqft with an approximate plinth area of 759 sft each in ground, 1st, 2nd and 3rd floors and bounded by: East By: House of D Kullayappa, West By : House of Anitha, North By: Road, South By : Site of Basavarajappa.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in our Bank's/ Secured Creditor's website i.e **www.kvb.co.in/Property** Under Auction also at the web portal **BankAuctions.in/ForeclosureIndia.com** of the service provider, **M/s. 4 closure.**

Statutory 15 days' Notice under Rule 9(1) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002

The borrower/s and guarantor/s are hereby notified to pay the dues as mentioned above along with up to date interest and ancillary expenses before the date of e-Auction, failing which the Schedule property will be auctioned/sold and balance dues, if any, will be recovered with interest and cost.

Date : 16.12.2024 **Sd/- Authorized Officer**
Place: Bangalore **THE KARUR VYSYA BANK LIMITED**

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED

(CIN: U40109KA1999SGC025521)

No: 948/BGM/TLSS/EE(E)/AE(T)/2024-25/F-159/6969-72 Date:16.12.2024

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

Sealed tenders in duplicate are invited from Manufacturer/ Experience/Authorized service Agency for the following works.

1) Name of the work: Supply of Numerical restricted EFR relay required C&R panel connected to 10MVA, transformer 1 at 110KV S/S P.G. Hunshyal in TL&SS Division, KPTCL, Belagavi **Specification / Particulars: Numerical restricted EFR relay** Make: Reputed /Approved Vendor IEC 61850 protocol with Impedance protection in case of communication failure. **Qty:** 01 No.

2) Name of the work: Supply of Numerical back up relay and Master-86 relay required for 11KV Bank-1(R-Ph) and 11KV Capacitor Bank No.1,3 (B-Ph) at110KV S/S Kulagod coming under TL & SS Division KPTCL, Belagavi. **Specification / Particulars: i) Numerical back up relay:** Make : Reputed /Approved Vendor Rating :110V DC, Sec current rating:1 Amps (For 11KV Bank-1((R-Ph) & Capacitor Bank-1 (B-Ph))No.1 **Qty:** 02 Nos. **ii) Master-86 relay** Make : Reputed /Approved Vendor Sec current rating:1 Amps Rating :110V DC (For Capacitor Bank No.3) **Qty:** 01 No.

3) Name of the work: Supply of Non directional Numerical back up relays required for 33KV Gokak mills & 33KV Mantur feeders at 110KV S/S Ghataprabha coming under TL & SS Division KPTCL, Belagavi. **Specification / Particulars: Non directional Numerical back up relays** Make: Reputed / Approved Vendor. **Qty:** 02 Nos.

1) Last date for receipt of completed bid is at **1:30PM on 31.12.2024. 2)** Date and time for opening the bids: **31.12.2024 at 4:00 PM.** Further details can be had from the office of the undersigned during working hours.

Sd/- Executive Engineer(Ele),
TL & SS Division, KPTCL, Neharu Nagar, Belagavi-590010, Ph: 0831-2470560

NYAYAMITRA SAHAKARI BANK NIYAMITA

Admn. Office: High Court Building (New Annexe), Dr. Ambedkar Veedhi, Bangalore-560001.

THE SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES, 2002. APPENDIX-IV POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas, the undersigned being the authorised authorised officer of the Nyayamitra Sahakari Bank Niyamita under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) Ordinance, 2002 (Ord.3 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice dated **07.10.2024** calling upon the borrower **Sri. Dayananda Saraswathi, S/o Hanumanthappa B.** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice and present balance being **Rs.63,00,000/-** further interest, expenses accrued there on with in 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Ordinance read with rule 8 of the said rules on this **17th day of December of the year 2024.**

The Borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Nyayamitra Sahakari Bank Niyamita for an amount Rs.63,00,000/- and interest thereon.

Borrower Details:

Borrower Name : **Sri. Dayananda Saraswathi**
Surety Name : **Sri. Kenche Gowda H.K.**
Loan Amount : **Rs. 63,00,000/- and further Interest and Expenses accrued.**

Description of the Immovable Property. A

All that piece and parcel of the property No. 22/1 (Old No. 22) (south side of Western Portion)of Khatha No. 158/58/22/, New Khatha No. 1461/58/22/1, issued by BBMP Assessment No. 58, situated at Doddabommasandra Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore measuring East to West 32 feet and North to South 23 totally measuring 800 Sq. Feet together with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever whether underneath or the above the surface and bounded on as follows: East By: Portion of same site No. 22 belongs to varun, West By: Road, North By: Remaining portion of the same site No. 22, South By: Road.

Date : 16.12.2024 Sd/- **Authorised Officer**
Place : Bangalore Nyayamitra Sahakari Bank Niyamita

SYMBOLIC POSSESSION NOTICE

ICICI Bank Branch Office: ICICI Bank Ltd., Plot No. 23, Shal Tower, 3rd Floor, New Rohtak Road, Karol Bagh, New Delhi- 110005

The Authorised ICICI Bank Officer under the Securitisation, Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued Demand Notices to the borrower(s) mentioned below, to repay the amount mentioned in the Notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said Notice.

Having failed to repay the amount, the Notice is issued to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of the property described below, by exercising powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the below-mentioned dates. The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property. Any dealings with the property will be subject to charges of ICICI Bank Limited.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower(s)/ Loan Account Number	Description of Property/ Date of Symbolic Possession	Date of Demand Notice/ Amount in Demand Notice (Rs)	Name of Branch
1.	Inder Paul Singh/ Satvinder Kaur/ TBJMM00006758417	Plot Measuring 6 Marla Comprised In Khasra No. 398/293, Khewat No. 2, Khata No. 148, Situated At Village Sehora, Tehsil Bishnah (outside The Municipal Limits), District Jammu/ December 12, 2024	June 26, 2024/ Rs. 16,00,983/-	Jammu/ Bangalore

The above-mentioned borrowers(s)/guarantors(s) is/are hereby issued a 30 day Notice to repay the amount, else the mortgaged properties will be sold after 30 days from the date of publishing this Notice, as per the provisions under Rules 8 and 9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.

Date: December 17, 2024 Sincerely Authorised Signatory
Place: Bangalore For ICICI Bank Ltd.

RAIL WHEEL FACTORY

YELAHANKA, BENGALURU – 560 064.
Website: www.rwf.indianrailways.gov.in

E-Auction Notice No. RWF/GSD/WD-30/ 2024-2025/05 Dated: 09.12.2024

On behalf of the PRESIDENT OF INDIA, **Principal Chief Material Manager (PCMM),** RAIL WHEEL FACTORY, Yelahanka, invites E-Auction for the sale of scrap items (Ferrous/ Non Ferrous/Miscellaneous and Others), online through the website **www.ireps.gov.in**

E-Auction dates are given below:

Jan- 02.01.2025, 10.01.2025, 20.01.2025, 28.01.2025
Feb- 05.02.2025, 13.02.2025, 21.02.2025
Mar- 03.03.2025, 12.03.2025, 20.03.2025 28.03.2025

Detail E-auction catalogue can be viewed on our website **www.rwf.indianrailways.gov.in** or **www.ireps.gov.in** before 7days (Seven days) from the date of E-auction. Quantity indicated in the catalogue is approximate only.

Deputy Chief Materials Manager-Depot

LIC HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED

LIC HFL — LIC HOUSING FINANCE LTD

1st Floor, Jeevan Managal Building, Hayes Road, Bangalore -560025.Ph.: 080-43003651

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

WHEREAS the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of LIC Housing Finance Ltd (LIC HFL), under Securitization & Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 & in exercise of powers conferred under section 13 (2) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 had issued Demand Notice to following Borrowers/Mortgagors/Guarantors calling upon them to repay the outstanding due amount mentioned in the said notices. However, The Borrowers/Mortgagors/Guarantors having failed to repay the said due amount, the undersigned has taken SYMBOLIC POSSESSION (S) / PHYSICAL POSSESSION(P) (specify property wise) in exercise of powers conferred U/s 13(4) and U/s 14 of the said Act read with the Rule 8.

This notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s)/Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property have been mortgaged to the LIC HFL, the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of LIC HFL will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" & without any recourse basis on Date of auction, as per the brief particulars given here under.

Property 1 – Name of Borrower/s- Mr.Jagadish S & Sumathi N Loan No – 410400007461 and 410400007431

Full Description of property : All that piece and parcel of Immovable Residential Property bearing Site No.2, situated in converted Sy No.51 of Shettihalli Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bengaluru North taluk, now presently comes under the jurisdiction of Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagar Palike limits, measuring East to West 64 feet and North to South 73 Feet, totally measuring 4672 Square Feet and bounded on the: East by: 30 Feet Wide Road West by : Property bearing Sy No. 50 North by : 50 Feet Wide Road South by : Site No. 5.

Date of Demand Notice: 18.10.2021 Amt Demanded: Rs. 5,26,73,748.00 with further Interest, Cost and Expenses. Date of Possession (P)-06/03/2023 Reserve Price - Rs. 6,05,00,000/- Rupees. Six Crore Five Lakhs Only EMD - Rs. 60,50,000/- Rupees. Sixty lakhs Fifty Thousand Only	Acct no:HFLESCBAJC07431 Beneficiary Name: LIC Housing Finance Ltd. Bank: Axis Bank, Centralised Collection Hub Account No: HFLESCBAJC07431 IFSC Code: UTIB0CCH274
Total Amount payable as on date – Rs. 5,26,73,748.00 /-	Name of e-auction service provider M/s. Arca Emart Pvt Ltd
Website of E-Auction: www.auctionbazaar.com	Date of auction and time duration of auction ; 18-01-2025 and 4 hours
Date & time of Inspection of Photocopies of property documents :16-1-2025 FROM 10.00AM till 2.00PM	Address of property where documents can be inspected: LICHFL Jeevan Mangal Building 1st Floor, Residency Road, Bangalore-560025.
Inspection of the Property: 16-01-2025	Date for inspection and time duration for auction :16-01-2025& 4 hours
Contact person: Name of Authorised Representative AJITH S NAIR , ASSOCIATE CHIEF MANAGER	Contact Details :9446368696
Contact details of E-Auction from the service provider	Address of E-Auction service Provider, name of dealing person, email & Contact Details M/s. Arca Emart Pvt Ltd Officer name – Mr.Abdul cell no.7799510999 email id:- contact@auctionbazaar.com, support@auctionbazaar.com, Auction portal https://www.auctionbazaar.com/, Address:- Flat 1405, C Block, MPM Santha Sriram Pinnacle, Yellareddy Guda, Ameerpet, Hyderabad – 500073.
Last date of submission of Online Tender / Bid	**16-1-2025 till 5 PM**
E Auction Date	**18-1-2025 & 10 AM till 2 PM**

Place: Bangalore Authorized Officer
Date : 17.12.2024 L.I.C Housing Finance Ltd, Bangalore

KARNATAKA GRAMIN BANK

(A Scheduled Bank Established By Government of India-Sponsored by Canara Bank)
Regional Office : Bengaluru, Karnataka
R & L Section
No. 19 & 19/1, 2nd Floor, South End Road, Basavanagudi, Bengaluru - 560004, E-mail : roblr.rlw@kgbk.in

E-AUCTION / SALE NOTICE IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-AUCTION/SALE NOTICE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES BY INVITING PUBLIC AUCTION UNDER RULES 8 (6) & 9 (Immovable) OF THE SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the Public in general and the Borrowers / Mortgager in particular that the below mentioned immovable property mortgaged to the Secured Creditor, **Karnataka Gramin Bank,** the constructive possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of the Bank, will be sold on **"AS IS WHERE IS" and WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS"** on **17.01.2025.** for recovery of the dues to the Secured Creditor, as detailed below.

Date & Time of Auction : 17.01.2025 between 11:00 AM to 12:00 Noon.
Last Date, Time and Place for receipt of EMD : On 16.01.2025 till 4.00 PM at Karnataka Gramin Bank, Bellandur Branch.

BRANCH : BELLANDUR

1. Name and Address of the Borrowers: (1) Smt. Thulasi Bai W/o Rajendra Singh, **(2) Sri. R. Pradeep Singh** S/o Rajendra Singh, **(3) Sri.R.Mohan Singh** S/o Rajendra Singh. **All R/at:** No.128, Chinnu Singh Compound, OPH Road, Kadugodi, Bengaluru-560067. **Guarantor: Sri.Shivaram M** S/o Raju M.V, R/at No.192, Ramaiah Garden, Near Royal School, Kadugodi, Bengaluru-560067.

Amount Outstanding : Rs.26,34,784/- (Rupees Twenty Six Lakh Thirty Four Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty Four Only) as on **19.11.2024** and interest from **19.11.2024** excluding charges thereon

Description of Property: All that part and parcel of the Immovable Residential House Property having Site No.12 formed on the residentially converted land of Sy.No.291/6, Measuring East to West-40 feet & North to South-30 feet in all measuring 1200sq.ft Situated at Kadugodi, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East (Tq). This Property is in the name of Smt.Thulasi Bai w/o Rajendra Singh, Sri.R.Pradeep Singh S/o Rajendra Singh, Sri.R.Mohan Singh S/o Rajendra Singh. Bounded by E-Site No.11, W- Converted Sy.No 291/6 belonging to K.M.Chinnu Singh, N- Road, S- Site No.8.

Reserve Price: Rs.90,00,000/- **EMD: Rs.9,00,000/-**

STATUTORY 30 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT

The Borrower/Guarantors are hereby advised to pay the sum mentioned above within 30 days from the date of publication of this notice failing which the Bank shall sell the property as the provision laid down in the SARFAESI ACT, 2002.

Terms & conditions for E-Auction:

1. Auction / bidding shall only be through "Online electronic mode" through the website of the Service Provider **Website:BankAuctions.in and ForeclosureIndia.com** of our e-auction service provider **M/s. 4 Closure India.**
2. The bidders may participate in e-auction for bidding from their place of choice. Internet connectivity shall have to be ensured by bidder himself. Bank/Service Provider shall not be held responsible for the internet connectivity, network problems, system crash down, power failure, etc. For details, help, procedure, registration, auction bid forms, detailed terms & conditions and online training on e-auction, prospective bidders may contact the Service Provider viz., website **BankAuctions.in and ForeclosureIndia.com of our e-auction service provider M/s. 4 Closure India,** for auction bid form and detailed terms and conditions which are annexed to the bid form.
3. Get the User ID and password. Only the password may be changed on receiving it.
4. Bidders are advised to go through the website **BankAuctions.in** for detailed terms and conditions of auction sale & auction application form before submitting their Bids for taking part in the e-auction sale proceedings.
5. Bids once made shall not be cancelled or withdrawn. All bids made from the user ID given to bidder will be deemed to have been made by him/her only.
6. All bidders shall be deemed to have read and understood the terms and conditions of sale and be bound by them.

Other Terms and Conditions:

1. To participate in the Auction, intending bidders have to deposit 10% of the reserve price as mentioned above as refundable EMD in the form of PO / DD / Banker's Cheque of a Scheduled Bank favouring as shown above, before the time and dates specified above. EMD will not carry any interest.
2. The Sale will be on **"AS IS-WHERE IS, AS IS WHAT IS & WHATEVER THERE IS"** basis.
3. The property will not be sold below the Reserve Price.
4. In case the bidder is a company, a copy of the resolution passed by the Board of Directors authorizing the actual bidder to participate in the auction on behalf of the company should be submitted.
5. The incremental bid is fixed at a minimum of **Rs.10,000/-** and the property will be sold in favour of the highest bidder.
6. The successful bidder should pay 25% of the bid amount (inclusive of EMD) immediately on the same day by NEFT/RTGS to credit **A/C No. 122001013050189, Branch IFSC: PKGB0012200** and balance 75% of the bid amount within 15 days thereafter. If the successful bidder defaults in effecting payment or fails to adhere to the terms of Sale in any manner, the amount already deposited will be forfeited and he / she shall not have any claim on such forfeited amount or to the property, which shall be sold subsequently.
7. On confirmation of sale by the Authorized Officer and if the terms of the payment have been complied with, the Authorized Officer exercising the Power of Sale shall issue a 'Sale Certificate' of immovable property in favour of the purchaser in the form given in appendix V of Securitization Act 2002.
8. Sale Certificate will be issued / registered in the name of successful bidder only who should produce copy of PAN card / ID proof before issue of Sale Certificate.
9. The EMD of the unsuccessful bidder will be returned immediately on conclusion of the Auction.
10. At any stage of the Auction, the Authorized Officer shall have the power to accept or reject bids or postpone / cancel the Auction without assigning any reason thereof including addition or deletion of other terms and conditions.
11. All other charges, expenses like conveyance, electricity, WSSB, legal, stamp duty, registration fee, arrears of tax charged, TDS and other pending/future taxes etc, if any, shall be borne by the purchaser/bidder. Bidders shall produce copy of Proof of Identity, Proof of Address / Pan Card.
12. The property/properties under auction is / are free of all encumbrances. Encumbrances if any created without the notice of the Secured Creditor by the borrower, will be the sole lookout of the successful bidder.
13. The bank shall not be responsible for any error, mis-statement for omission in this proclamation. The other terms and conditions, if any will be notified at the place of auction.
14. For further details, please contact the Branch Manager at **Bellandur Branch, Phone No.9844089139 or Sri. Wilson Devdas at Regional Office, Phone No. 9980629010** at the above address during the office hours on any working days between from to **between 11.00 AM and 5.00 PM.**
15. For inspection of the properties and other particulars, the intending bidders are at liberty to make their own inspection / assessment / enquiries about the property.
16. This is also a notice to the borrower / guarantor for information and necessary action.
17. In case Holiday is declared on the date of auction by statutory authorities, the Auction will be will be held on the next working day at the same time.

Date : 16.12.2024 **Sd/- Authorised Officer, KARNATAKA GRAMIN BANK**
Place : Bengaluru **Regional Office, Bangalore**

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank

(A Government Of India Undertaking)

South End Road Branch
No: 19, South End Road, Bengaluru-560004.

POSSESSION NOTICE

APPENDIX IV under Rule 8 (1) (SECTION 13(4)) (For Immovable Property)

The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the **Canara Bank, South End Road Branch,**under Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 has issued a Demand Notices calling upon the Borrowers/ Mortgagors/Guarantors to repay the amount mentioned In the notice within **60 days** from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrowers/Guarantors/Mortgagors having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers/Mortgagors/Guarantors and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rules 8 & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on below mentioned dates.

The Borrowers/Guarantors/Mortgagors in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **Canara Bank,** for an amount interest and Other Charges mentioned below.

The Borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

1. Name and Address of the Borrowers/Guarantors/Mortgagors : Sri. V. Samuel, No.73/2, Narayanappa Road, Ramaswamy Palya, Bengaluru-560033.

Total amount mentioned in the notice : Rs.2,34,988/- (Rupees Two Lakhs Thirty Four Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty Eight Only) as on **27.08.2024** together with further interest and incidental expenses and costs.

Demand Notice Dated : 03.09.2024 **Possession Notice Date: 13.12.2024**

Schedule Property: All that piece and parcel of the Residential Site bearing No.73, situated at Narayanappa Road, Ramaswamy Palya, Kasaba Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru-560033, formerly a portion of Assessment No.16/2, measuring East to West 30 Feet and North to South 20 Feet, in all measuring 600 Square Feet, having a 3 Feet Wide Common passage, and having 40 Feet Length on the Eastern Side, alongwith the building standing thereon and Bounded on the: East by : 3 Feet Wide Common Passage, West by : Private Property, North by : property belongs to Shanth Kumar's Portion, South by : Private Property.

2. Name and Address of the Borrowers/Guarantors/Mortgagors : Sri. Nageswara Rao. S, No.902, Montana Heritage Tower, 12th Block, United Heritage Estate, Yelahanka, Bengaluru-560064.

Total amount mentioned in the notice : Rs.16,56,637/- (Rupees Sixteen Lakhs Fifty Six Thousand Six Hundred and Thirty Seven Only) as on **28.06.2024** together with further interest and incidental expenses and costs.

Demand Notice Dated : 09.09.2024 **Possession Notice Date: 13.12.2024**

Schedule 'A' Property: Item No.1 : All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Survey Nos. 78/1, 78/2, 43/1 and 43/2, in all measuring 8 Acres 28 Guntas, situated at Puttenahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bengaluru North Talk, Bengaluru-560064 and bounded on the : East by : Kenchenahalli Village Boundary, West by : Property bearing Survey Nos.791/1, 79/2 belongs to R. S. Vijay, North by : Central Reserve Police Boundary line, South by : PWD Road leading to Kenchenahalli Village.

Item No.2 : All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Survey Nos.79/1 and 79/2, in all measuring 4 Acres 26 Guntas, situated at Puttenahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bengaluru North Talk, Bengaluru-560064 and bounded on the : East by : Property bearing Survey Nos.78/1 and 78/2, West by : Road, North by : Central Reserve Police Boundary line, South by : PWD Road leading to Kenchenahalli Village and all Estate.

Schedule 'B' Property: 361.264 Square Feet of undivided share, right, title interest and ownership in Schedule 'A' Property.

Schedule 'C' Property: All that piece and parcel of the Residential Apartment bearing No.902, bearing Municipal No.306 to 309/282-255, on the Ninth Floor, in the 12th Block, in the Residential Apartment building known as "MONTANA" in "HERITAGE TOWERS" constructed on the Schedule 'A' Property and having 1,397 Square Feet of Super Built-Up Area, alongwith One Open Car parking space.

Date : 13.12.2024 **Sd/-Authorized Officer**
Place : Bengaluru **Canara Bank**

SOUTHERN POWER DISTRIBUTION COMPANY OF TELANGANA LTD.

(A Govt. of Telangana Undertaking)
(Formerly Central Power Distribution Company of Andhra Pradesh Ltd.)
Corporate Office, 6-1-50, Mint Compound :: Hyderabad-63 (Telangana State, India)
CIN U40109TG2000SGC034116

e-Procurement Tender Notice (Paper Notification)

TGSPDCL intends to float tenders for **SCADA automation of 112Nos.33/11Kv substations in GHMC area of the TGSPDCL** on e-procurement platform.

For further details of above, please visit https://tgsouthernpower.org and www.tender.telangana.gov.in. Phone: 040-23431321

Sd/-
R.O. No. : 796-PP/CL-AGENCY/ADVT/1/2024-25 CHIEF ENGINEER (PROJECTS)

BANGALORE ELECTRICITY SUPPLY COMPANY LIMITED

(Wholly Owned by Government of Karnataka Undertaking)
CIN - U04010KA2002SGC030438

BRIEF TENDER NOTIFICATION

(Through KPP Portal only)

BESCOM invites tender against enquiry No: **BESCOM/2024-25/SE0227** for **Providing services for development of unified online SRTPV portal /web application for use of BESCOM, GESCOM, HESCOM, MESCOM & CESC and maintenance & updation of the web application for a period of 2 years extendable for one more year on mutual consent.**

The Tender documents can be obtained through e-procurement portal from the tendering web-site **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** on or after **19.12.2024.** Aspiring bidders need to register on e-procurement portal.

Sd/-
General Manager (Ele.), DSM Section, BESCOM

For electricity related complaints call : 1912
Download BESCOM Mithra Mobile APP

Vistaar Financial Services Pvt Ltd

Registered Office: Plot No 59 & 60- 23,22nd Cross, 29th Main BTM 2nd Stage, Bengaluru 560076. **www.vistaarfinance.com**

DEMAND NOTICE

NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002

NOTICE is hereby given by **Vistaar Financial Services Pvt Ltd (VFSPL),** that the following borrowers who have availed loan against property from **Vistaar Financial Services Pvt Ltd** and failed to pay Equated Monthly Installments (EMIs) of their loan to and that their loan account has been classified as Non-performing Asset as per the guidelines issued by Reserve Bank of India. The Borrowers have provided security of the immovable property towards the loan, the details of which are described herein below. The details of the loan and the amounts outstanding and payable by the borrowers to **Vistaar Financial Services Pvt Ltd** as on date are also indicated here below. The borrowers as well as the public in general are hereby informed that the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of **Vistaar Financial Services Pvt Ltd,** the secured creditor has initiated action against the following borrowers under the provisions of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (the SARFAESI Act). If the following borrowers fails to repay the outstanding dues indicated against their names within 60 (Sixty) days of this notice along with further interest and other charges if any, the undersigned will exercise any one or more of the powers conferred on the Secured Creditor under sub-section (4) of Section 13 of the SARFAESI Act, including power to take possession of the property and sell the same. The public in general is advised not to deal with property described here below.

Account No	Name of the Borrowers and Co-Borrowers	Total Loan Outstanding (in INR)	Total Loan Outstanding As On
0060SB ML01761	1. Mr/Mrs. Dhanaraja Kumar Y V 2. Mr/Mrs. Nirmala	Rs. 51,87,334/-	05-12-2024

Description of the Secured Asset: All the piece and parcel of the immoveable property, Bearing No. 160, formed out of Sy No. 61, Muncipal Assessment No. 160/161, Situated at Venkatala Dwision, Yalahanka Muncipal, Bangalore, Converted for Non-Agricultural/ Residence. I Purpose by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore, No. B. DIS. ALN. SR. 6404, Date 26-07-1972, **Measuring** East to West: 40 Feet, North to South : 30 Feet, Totally 1200 Sq.ft, along with 1 sq RCC Roofed House, **Bounded on:** North by: Private Property, South by: Site No. 161, East by: Road, West by: Site No.159.

Date: 17-12-2024 **Authorized Officer**
Place: Bangalore **Vistaar Financial Services Pvt Ltd.,**

V.O.CHIDAMBARANAR PORT AUTHORITY

Civil Engineering Department
Tuticorin-628 004.

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

S No	Name of work	Estimated cost Put to tender value (Amount in INR)	Cost of Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) (Amount in INR)	Online Tender opening date
1	Construction of compound wall with razor fencing, lock fast room and office rooms adjacent to Passenger terminal (Behind Blue Gate Office) for providing Direct Port Entry (DPE) facility inside Port Custom Bound area in VOC Port.	3,08,35,171/-	6,16,703/-	27.12.2024
2	Revamping of Port entrance buildings and Canopy steel structures at Green Gate in VOCPA	3,58,30,089/-	7,16,602/-	27.12.2024
3	Replacement of Damaged 110 mm dia PVC Water Supply Line with HDPE110 mm dia Pipe from Beach Water Tank to Admin Building at V.O.C. Port	5,90,728/-	11,815/-	30.12.2024
4	Construction of Sewage Water Collection Well Near Administrative Office for Disposal of Sewage Water to Sewage Pumping Station Near Beach Water Tank at VOC Port	12,82,868/-	25,657/-	30.12.2024
5	Construction of Ground Level Reservoir and Laying Pipeline to the Guest House Building Complex at VOC Port Authority	17,09,985/-	34,200/-	30.12.2024
6	Construction of Ground Level Reservoir and laying pipelines to Administrative Office building complex at V.O.C Port	23,83,602/-	47,672/-	30.12.2024
7	Widening of NCB road from yellow gate in VOCPA	9,88,74,449/-	19,78,000/-	03.01.2025
8	Providing Manpower services for Graduate Engineering Personnel, Quantity Survey Personnel, Diploma Engineering Personnel, Valve operator, E&M operator, Draftsman Engineering Personnel on Outsourced basis at VOCPA for a period of Two years (2024-2026)	1,97,73,401/-	3,95,470/-	07.01.2025
9	Resurfacing of Link Road from SEPC roundana to North end in VOC Port	2,92,47,958/-	5,84,960/-	07.01.2025

Note: For eligible tenderers, downloading of bid documents from the NIC e-tendering website: **i) https://etenders.gov.in/eprocure/app ii) https://www.vocport.gov.in**

Sd/-
CHIEF ENGINEER
VOCPA

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank

(A Government of India Undertaking)

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(Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Property)

SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive/physical (Strike whichever is not applicable)possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **HSR LAYOUT Branch (2673), Bangalore of the Canara Bank,** will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and " Whatever there is"** on **18.01.2025** for recovery of below mentioned amount.

E-AUCTION DATE: 18.01.2025

Borrower and Mortgagor: (1) Sri Sai Ram Rice Traders and Hot Chips (Borrower) No. 163, 5th Main, 2nd Avenue, Teachers Colony, Koramanagala, Bangalore -560034. **(2) Sri Muniswamy Reddy K V (Proprietor & Borrower),** No. 46/46, Sai Krupa, 9th Cross, Venkatapura, Behind Eswara Temple, KML, Bangalore -560034. **(3) Ms. Bhavana (Legal Heir of Co-Applicant Late Smt. Uma B)** No. 46/46, Sai Krupa, 9th Cross, Venkatapura, Behind Eswara Temple, KML, Bangalore -560034

Total liabilities: Rs.2,17,18,597.82 (Rupees Two Crore Seventeen Lakh Eighteen Thousands Five Hundred Ninety Seven And Paisa Eighty Two Only) as on 05.12.2024 and applicable interest thereon and other applicable charges to the date of realization in full.

Reserve Price: Rs. 1,94,57,000/- **EMD: Rs. 19,46,000/-**

Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before: **17.01.2025 up to 4:00 p.m.**

Name of Title holder : M/s Sri Sai Ram Rice Traders and Hot Chips Prop. K V Muniswamy Reddy.

Movable : Hypothecation of Stock and Book Debts

Name of Title holder : Sri K V Muniswamy Reddy

Immovable : All that the piece and parcel of immovable property bearing residential Site No 28, (Old No. 146) PID No 66-194-28, situated at 9th Cross, Venkatapura Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore, measuring 32*35 feet and Bounded on the: East: Road & Property of Dodda Gundappa, West: Road, North: Chikkadallappa property, South: Road.

Known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank. For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "E-Auction" provided in **Canara Bank's website (www.canarabank.com) or may contact Branch Manager through HSR Layout Branch (2673) Avani Arcade", L-1135, 17th Cross, 80 Feet Road, Sector-7, HSR Layout,, Bengaluru-560102 Email: cb2673@canarabank.com.** OR the service provider **E-bkray (M/s PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd), (Contact No. 7046612345/6354910172/ 8291220220/9892219848/ 8160205051, Email:support.ebkray@psballiance.com/ support.ebkray@procure247.com).** during office hours on any working day.

Date : 16.12.2024 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place: Bengaluru **Canara Bank**

IN THE COURT OF DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-1,

B.S.N.L. Building, 4th Floor, Telephone House, Rajbhavan Road, Bengaluru-560001

O.A.NO.597/2023

BETWEEN:
AXIS BANK LTD., ...Applicant
AND
J & S MOTORS & OTHERS
...Defendants

To,

1. J & S Motors, Represented By its Authorized Representative, Mr.J Mahesh, Khata No.807/236/219/6, Ward No.10, 3rd Division, B B Road, Devanahalli Town, Devanahalli, Bangalore Rural-562110.

2. Mr.J Mahesh, S/o.Sri.Jayaram, Aged About 36 Years, Lakshmi Nivasa, Near Rayal Convent, Anjani Extension, Chintamani Taluk, Chikkaballapura-563 125

3. Smt.R.Sunanda, W/o Sri.Jayaram, Aged About 59 Years, No.213, Chintamani Town, Chintamani Taluk, Kolar District-563125.

SUMMONS ISSUED TO DEFENDANTS UNDER RULE 23 (Viii) OF DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES OF 1993 BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION

Whereas the applicant has instituted an application under section 19 of Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions, Act, 1993, against the above defendants for the recovery of sum of **Rs.37,35,191/-** (Rupees Thirty Seven Lakhs Thirty Five Thousand one Hundred and Ninety One Rupees only) amount together with current and future interest, cost and other reliefs.

The above mentioned defendants are required to appear therefore hereby directed to appear before the Tribunal in person or through an Advocate or duly instructed in support of their defence to show cause on **07.01.2025 at 10:30 a.m.** as why the relief's prayed for should not be granted.

Take notice that in case default the application will be heard and determined in your absence. Given under my hand and seal of the Tribunal on this day. **25.11.2024.**

BY THE ORDER OF THE TRIBUNAL
REGISTRAR-1
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-1
BANGALORE.

THE KARUR VYSYA BANK LTD

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ASSET RECOVERY BRANCH
Divisional Office Building, No.6, Shri Vasavi Temple Road, Near Sajjan Rao Circle, V V Puram, Bangalore - 560004,

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, **The Karur Vysya Bank Ltd,** the constructive /physical (whichever is applicable) possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **The Karur Vysya Bank Ltd.,** Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** on **03.01.2025,** for recovery of **Rs.1,69,61,437.02/-** (Rupees One Crore Sixty Nine Lakhs sixty One Thousand Four Hundred Thirty Seven and Paisa Two only) due to "The Karur Vysya Bank Ltd", Secured Creditor from **(1) Mr. Jayaprakash A P,** S/o Lt Mr Puttasamy 303, Sri Sharada Sai Apartments, Nobo Nagar, Bannerghatta Road, Bangalore-560076. **(2) Mrs Pushpalatha Jayaprakash** W/o Mr Jayaprakash A P, 303, Sri Sharada Sai Apartments, Nobo Nagar, Bannerghatta Road, Bangalore-560076 and **(1) Jayadev Marketing Proprietor Mr Jayaprakash A P,** S/o Lt Mr Puttasamy 303, Sri Sharada Sai Apartments, Nobo Nagar, Bannerghatta Road, Bangalore-560076. **(2) Mrs Pushpalatha Jayaprakash** W/o Mr. Jayaprakash A P, 303, Sri Sharada Sai Apartments, Nobo Nagar, Bannerghatta Road, Bangalore-560076. The reserve price will be **Rs.71,00,000/- (Rupees Seventy One Lakhs only) and the earnest money deposit will be Rs. 7,10,000/- (Rupees Seven Lakhs and Ten Thousand only).**

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of vacant site at Site No: 53, admeasuring approximately 1200 sq. foot approximately and with an approximate plinth area of 2569 sq. feet (in stilth +3 floors) Canara Residency, Phase II, carved out of land in Sy.No: 112/1, situated at Harapanahalli Village, Jignai Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District bounded on: East : Site No: 50, West : Road, North : Site No: 52 , South : Site No: 54.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in our Bank's/ Secured Creditor's website i.e **www.kvb.co.in/Property** Under Auction also at the web portal **BankAuctions.in/ForeclosureIndia.com** of the service provider, **M/s. 4 closure.**

Statutory 15 Days' Notice under Rule 9(1) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002

The borrower/s and guarantor/s are hereby notified to pay the dues as mentioned above along with up to date interest and ancillary expenses before the date of e-Auction, failing which the Schedule property will be auctioned/sold and balance dues, if any, will be recovered with interest and cost.

Date : 16.12.2024 **Sd/- Authorized Officer**
Place: Bangalore **THE KARUR VYSYA BANK LIMITED**

ODISHA MINING CORPORATION LIMITED

OMC House, Bhubaneswar-751001,Odisha
CIN: U13100OR1956SGC000313, www.omcltd.in

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E-auction Notice (18.12.2024 – 175th & 176th E-auction) IRON ORE CLO & FINES

CAD-1917: The Odisha Mining Corporation Ltd intends to sell various grades of Iron ore CLO & Fines produced at Daitari and Gandhamardan Regions (Block - A & B) and Guali, Jilling Langalota, Tiringpahar, Khandbandh, Banspani, Unchabali (Mahaparbat) & Roida 'C' Mines of Barbil Region in Keonjhar District and Khandadhar/Kurmitar Mines under Koira Region in Sundargarh District, Odisha through e-auction which will be conducted by MSTC Ltd. The e-auction shall be held from **11.00 A.M. to 2.00 P.M on 18.12.2024.**

For details, please visit the website of MSTC i.e www.mstcecommerce.com.

OIPR-30005/11/0118/2425 **Sd/- Chief General Manager (S&M)**

TP SOUTHERN ODISHA DISTRIBUTION LIMITED

(Procurement Department)

TPSODL

BPR North Star Building,
2nd Floor, Khodasingi, Berhampur, Odisha-760010

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

Dt.: 17.12.2024

TP Southern Odisha Distribution Ltd. invites tender from eligible vendors for following:

Sl. No.	Tender Description	NIT Number	EMD (Rs.)	Tender Fee inclusive of GST (Rs.)	Last date and time of Payment of Tender Fee
1	PO for Supply of MS Windows Server Data Centre Edition OS (2 core)	TPSODL/OT/ 2024-25/044	2,00,000	5,000	23.12.2024; 18:00 Hrs.
2	RC for shifting of lines and Sub-stations under School and Anganwadi in turnkey basis.	TPSODL/OT/ 2024-25/045	2,00,000	5,000	27.12.2024; 18:00 Hrs.

For detailed tender, please visit Tender Section on TPSODL website **https://www.tpsouthernodisha.com**

SYMBOLIC POSSESSION NOTICE

ICICI Bank

Branch Office : ICICI Bank Ltd. 4/10, Mythree Tower, Bommanhalli Hosur Main Road Bangalore-560068

The Authorised ICICI Bank Officer under the Securitisation, Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued Demand Notices to the borrower(s) mentioned below, to repay the amount mentioned in the Notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said Notice.

Having failed to repay the amount, the Notice is issued to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of the property described below, by exercising powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the below-mentioned dates. The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property. Any dealings with the property will be subject to charges of ICICI Bank Limited.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower(s)/ Loan Account Number	Description of Property/ Date of Symbolic Possession	Date of Demand Notice/ Amount in Demand Notice (Rs)	Name of Branch
1.	Chethan S/ Lalitha/ LBBNG00005162364	Schedule All That Piece and Parcel of The Property Bearing Corporation House on Site No. 64/6 (Sixty Four Sub Six) Corporation House on Site No. 64/6 (Sixty Four Sub Six) Old No.37, Situated at Fourth Main (Formerly Fifth Main) III Block, Division No. 32, Ward No. 51, Thya Garajanagar, Bangalore and Bounded As Follows: East By : Property No. 64/7, Belonging to Smt. Nanjamma. West By: Corporation Road North By: Common Passage 4.0" Left For Movement of Nanjamma Vambakka Urof Gouramma and Shanthamma. South By: Property Belonging to Sri Boranna. A. Bearing No.64/5 Measurement: East to West Northern Side Fifty Three Feet Six Inches (53'-6"), Southern Side Fifty one Feet (51'0") North to South: Nineteen Feet (19'0")/ Date of Symbolic Possession on/11/12/2024.	23.08.2024/ Rs. 14,59,487.98/-	Banga-lore

The above-mentioned borrowers(s)/guarantors(s) is/are hereby issued a 30 day Notice to repay the amount, else the mortgaged properties will be sold after 30 days from the date of publishing this Notice, as per the provisions under Rules 8 and 9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.

Date: December 17, 2024
Place: Bangalore

Sincerely Authorised Signatory
For ICICI Bank Ltd.

THE BHARAT CO-OPERATIVE BANK LIMITED

Jayanagar Branch, No. 30, 15th Cross, 3rd Block,
Jayanagar, Bangalore-560011. (Ph. 080-26632783/26633566)

DEMAND NOTICE

NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF CHAPTER III OF THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT 2002

At their request, Bank has extended credit facilities to the below mentioned individuals against secured assets through its below mentioned branches. The relevant particulars of the property on which they have created security interest by execution of security agreement/documents & creation of mortgage by way deposit of title deeds are furnished hereunder. As the operation and conduct of the financial assistance/ credit facilities have become irregular, the debts have been classified as Non Performing Assets in accordance with the directives / guidelines issued by Reserve Bank of India consequent to the default committed by the borrower in repayment of the principal debt and interest thereon. As the demand notice sent by register AD calling upon them, was un-served/ not acknowledged / addressee left / this publication is now issued.

1. Name and Address of the Borrower: 1. Mr. Balakrishna V R S/o Late Ramamurthy K V, No.49/31, Agrahara Village, Near Meenakshi Apartment, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore-560064. **Also at :** No11, 1st Left Cross, Near Deccan Hospital, Ashwini Badavane, Chinthamani, Kolar Dist-563125.

Description of the property :- (Details of Hypothecated assets and details of mortgaged properties of the Borrower) All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Flat No.006, New No.61, BBMP Katha No.1155, Channasandra Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Sy. No. 34/1/61, Bangalore South Taluk, Flat situated in the Ground Floor, Super Built up area of 1360 sq. ft. Undivided Share of 225 Sq. Ft. with one car Parking slot in the Multistoried residential complex known as "SUMUKHA MEADOWS" and bounded by the following boundaries: East: H S Chandrashekar Land, West: Smt. Hanumakka Land, North: Road, South:Land belonging to Shylaja.

Account Number : LNML/02403945722 **Limit Amount : Rs.49,50,000/-**

Out Standing Loan Amount :- Rs. 32,76,678/-(Rupees Thirty Two Lakhs Seventy Six Thousand Six Hundred Seventy Eight Only) as on **25/10/2024** together with further interest thereon with effect from **26/10/2024** at the contractual rates together with costs, charges, other monies until payment or realisation.

Date of NPA: 04.04.2024 **Demand Notice dtd: .04.11.2024** **Branch : Jayanagar Branch**

If you fail to repay the aforesaid sum with interest and incidental expenses within 60 days from the date of the notice, Bank shall exercise all or any of the rights detailed under sub section (2) of the section 13 of SARFAESI Act. You are also put on notice that in terms of sub section (13) of section 13, you shall not transfer by sale, lease or otherwise the said secured assets detailed above without obtained written consent of the Bank. This notice is without prejudice to Banks rights to initiate such other action or legal proceedings as it deem necessary under any other applicable provisions of law.

Date : 16.12.2024 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Bangalore **THE BHARAT CO-OPERATIVE BANK LIMITED**

MAHATRANSCO

Maharashtra State Electricity Transmission Co. Ltd.

SRM E-TENDER NOTICE 3rd call

The Superintending Engineer (Parli Circle) on behalf of MSETCL (the Employer) invites online bids (SRM E-Tender) from reputed & registered Electrical Contractors on Mahatransco E-Tendering Website **https://srmetender.mahatransco.in** for following work

Sr. No.	Particular of Works	SRM E-Tender No.	SRM E-Tender RFx No.
01	Work of installation, Testing and commissioning of new 5x50MVAr, switchable 400kV Line Reactors against replacement of old 5x50 MVAr, line reactor at 400kV Girwali Substation under EHV P C O&M Zone.	SE/EHVC/PV/ TS/2024- 25/ T-24	7000033907 (3rd call)

For further details visit our Website **https://srmetender.mahatransco.in.**
Contact Person: The Executive Engineer (O): Phone No. (02446)222076.
The undersigned reserves the rights to accept or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reasons thereof.

S/d
Superintending Engineer, EHV (O&M) Circle, Parli-V.

The Grain Merchants' Co-Operative Bank Ltd.,

H.O, No.2, Pampamahakavi Road, Chamarajpet, Bengaluru-560018.
Phone 26677552, 26679041

POSSESSION NOTICE FOR IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

[APPENDIX IV (RULE 8(1)]

Where as the undersigned being the authorised officer of The Grain Merchants' Co- Operative Bank Limited under the Securitisation and Reconstructionof Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest ACT 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (2) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules. at The Grain Merchants' Co-Operative Bank Limited within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers in the following accounts having failed to repay the amount, notice is here by given to the borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described here in bellow in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 & 9 of the said rules on the dates mentioned herein below. The borrowers in particular and the public in general is/are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of The Grain Merchants' Co- Operative Bank Limited for amount and interest on & other charges.

Date of Possession: 12.12.2024

Name of the Borrower/Surety & Description of the Property Mortgaged	Amount outstanding
Applicants: Smt.Baby.K. & Co.Applicant Sri.Eshwarappa.M. **Surety: Sri Chitti Babu.** **All that piece and parcel eastern portion of Residential Property bearing No.106B, Khatha No.98/1/138/3/106B, Ward No.188 Situated at Bilekahalli Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, now called as Sarvabhoumanagar, Bangalore, measuring East To West: 40 ft and North To South: 60 ft along with 400 sq.ft residential building and bounded on East By: Site No.105 West By: Property belongs to Smt.K.Baby North By: Site Nos.86 & 85 South By: Road.**	**67,85,278/- + Int. thereon 12.12.2024**

Amount paid if any by any of the above borrowers after issuance of Possession Notice, would be reckoned for ascertaining the dues payable at the time of realisation / settlement.

Sd/-
Authorised Officer,
The Grain Merchants' Co-Operative Bank Ltd.,
Bangalore -18

Place: Bangalore
Date: 12.12.2024

LIC HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED

LIC HFL — LIC HOUSING FINANCE LTD

1st Floor, Jeevan Managal Building, Hayes Road, Bengaluru -560025. Ph.: 080-43003651

POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Office of the M/S, LIC Housing Finance Limited the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Asset and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 9 of security Interest(enforcement) Rule 2002 issued demand notice on below mentioned date calling upon the borrower/guarantors to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrower having failed to repay the amount hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/ her under Section 13(4) of the said Act with rule 9 of the said rules on below mentioned date.

The Borrower in particular and the public in general are here by /cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealing with property will be subject to the charge of M/s. LIC Housing Finance Limited for an amount notice mentioned below and interest thereon. The Borrower attention is invited to provisions of section 13(8) of the said ACT, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets

Name of the Borrower, Loan No & Possession Taken Date	Demand Notice Date	Notice Amount	Description of the Property
Mr. Pavan Kuamr S Loan A/c No. 412200002183 Symbolic Possession taken date:12.12.2024	16/09/2023	Rs. 4568633.00	**SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing BBMP Katha No. 917/Sy. No.91/7, totally measuring 10345.5 Square feet or 9 ½ Guntas, carved out of converted survey No. 91/7, (Old Sy. No.91/1) ,(converted for non-agricultural residential use as per the conversion order bearing No. ALN(S.B)(B.H)/SR/71/14-15, DATED 22.04.2016, issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore situated at Singasandra Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore Urban District, Now Within the limits of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagar Palike of Ward No. 191, Singasandra Ward and bounded on : East by : Road,West by : Land in Sy. No.92,North by: Remaining Portion of Land in Sy No. 91/7, South by:Land in Sy. No. 91/5. SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY : 244 Square feet of undivided share, right, title and interest and ownership in Schedule 'A' property. SCHEDULE 'C' PROPERTY All that piece and parcel of the residential Flat bearing No. 506, situated in 4th Floor, of the apartment building known as "HEARTY HOMES" CONSTRUCTED ON Schedule 'A' property having super built up area of 1010 Square Feet (Carpet Area 727 Sq.Ft.,) along with one covered parking space consisting of 2 Bedrooms, 2 Bathrooms, Hall, Kitchen with utility, Dining, which includes built up area of apartment and proportionate share in common area such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircases and other area of common use.**

Place: Bangalore **Sd/- Authorized Officer**
Date : 17.12.2024 **LIC Housing Finance Limited**

STATE BANK OF INDIA

RACPC SHANKARPURAM (64063), No. 13/1, 3rd Floor, Bull Temple Road, Opp. Sri. Ramakrishna Mutt, Basavanagudi, Bengaluru-560004. Ph : 080 25943006/007, Email Id: support.shankarpuram@sbi.co.in

DEMAND NOTICE

NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13 (2) OF SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT 2002 (HEREINAFTER CALLED 'ACT ')

A notice is hereby given that the following Borrowers : **1) Sri. Nagarajan Narayanaswamy S/o Sri. Narayanaswamy Ullaganathan, 2) Smt. Jayasri Mariappan W/o Sri. Nagarajan Narayanaswamy** have defaulted in the repayment of principal and interest of the loan facility obtained by them from the Bank and the loan accounts have been classified as Non-Performing Assets (NPA). The notices were issued to them and guarantors under Section 13(2) of Securitization and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 on their last known addresses, but they have been returned unserved and as such they are hereby informed by way of this public notice.

Name and Address of the Borrower's : 1) Sri. Nagarajan Narayanaswamy S/o Sri. Narayanaswamy Ullaganathan, **2) Smt. Jayasri Mariappan** W/o. Sri. Nagarajan Narayanaswamy, **Both are residing at : i)** No. TE-703, Seventh Floor, "E" Block/ Wing, Purva Midtown Residences, Benniganahalli Village, Krishnarajapura Hobli, Bangalore-560016. **ii)** B914, Knights Bridge Apartment, ITPL Main Road, Brookfield, Kundanahalli, Bangalore-560037. **iii)** N. Saroja, Saroja Illam, Friends Colony, Akilandeswari Nagar Extension, Lalgudi, Trichy-621601. **And also at :** Sri. Nagarajan Narayanaswamy, IBM India Pvt. Ltd., Manyata Embassy Business Park, Block-D1, 4th Floor, Outer Ring Road, Nagawara, Bangalore-560045.

1) Account No's. : HL-31993672041 File No: 4356/HL/2515/APDAK/13(2)

Demand Notice : 30.11.2024 **NPA Date : 28.11.2024**

Amount outstanding (As on the date of notice) : Rs. 38,49,341/- (Rupees Thirty Eight Lakhs Forty Nine Thousand Three Hundred and Forty One only) and you are also liable to pay future interest from 29.11.2024 at contractual rate on the aforesaid amount together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc.

Description of the Immovable Property : Schedule 'A' Property (Entire Property in which the Building is constructed) : All that piece and parcel of the residentially converted land being part of Sy.No.50/2 measuring 4 acres and 10 guntas (185131 Sq. ft.,) Benaganahalli (also known as Benniganahalli) Village, Krishnarajapura Hobli, Bangalore East (earlier South) Taluk, Bangalore District presently bearing BBMP Katha No.02, Ward No.51, Vijinapura, Horamavu Sub-Division, Bangalore and **bounded on : East by :** Private Property (balance property belonging to the erstwhile Owner of the property to the Vendor herein), **West by :** Tank, **North by :** Sy.No. 50/1, 48 & 49 belonging to Shanbhog Shreekantaiah, **South by :** Road.

Schedule "B" Property (Property conveyed under this Deed) : An undivided 0.349% (Zero Point Three Four Nine Percent) share (equivalent to 645.68 Square Feet) in the land comprised in the Schedule "A" Property.

Schedule "C" Property (Description of the Apartment constructed under the Construction Agreement) : A Three Bed Room Apartment bearing No.TE-703 on the Seventh Floor in the "E" Block/Wing of the residential apartment complex known as "Purva Midtown Residences" constructed on the Schedule "A" Property, having a built up area of 1226 Square Feet (which is inclusive of balconies and utility space) and proportionate common area of 353 Square Feet (which is inclusive of the floors, ceiling and walls between the apartments and common areas attributable thereto) together with a right to use one covered car parking space. The building is RCC framed structure with vitrified tile flooring metal windows and wooden doors connected with electricity and water supply and the **flat is held in the name of "Sri. Nagarajan Narayanaswamy S/o. Sri. Narayanaswamy Ulaganathan and Smt. Jayasri Mariappan W/o. Sri. Nagarajan Narayanaswamy".**

Sale Deed is registered in favour of "Sri.Nagarajan Narayanaswamy S/o Sri.Narayanaswamy Ulaganathan and Smt. Jayasri Mariappan W/o Sri.Nagarajan Narayanaswamy" in the office of SRO Shivajinagara (Shivajinagara) Bangalore in Book No.1 under Document No. SHV-1-05096/2015-16 and Stored in C.D No. SHVD220 dated 30.01.2016.

The steps are being taken for substituted service of notice. The above Borrower /Guarantors/mortgagors are hereby called upon to make payment of outstanding amount within 60 days from the date of publication of this notice, failing which further steps will be taken after expiry of 60 days from the date of this notice under sub-section (4) of Section 13 of Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security interest Act, 2002.

The borrowers/guarantors/ mortgagors attention is invited to provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

Date : 30.11.2024 **Sd/- Authorised Officer, State Bank of India**
Place : Bangalore **RACPC, Shankarapuram, Bengaluru**

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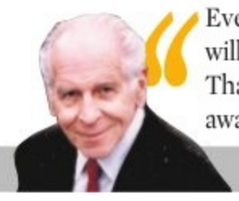

"Every act of conscious learning requires the willingness to suffer an injury to one's self esteem. That is why young children, before they are aware of their own self-importance, learn so easily"

Thomas Szasz

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— Ramnath Goenka

GOVTS NEED TO WORK AS ONE TO COUNTER CYBER THREATS IN 2025

A major challenge looms ahead for India's cyber police, sectors heavily dependent on tech and general public. The India Cyber Threat Report 2025 by the Data Security Council recently raised alerts about AI-driven and deepfake-enabled cyber attacks becoming increasingly prevalent in the new year, with the healthcare and finance sectors featuring among the prime targets. The report warns that AI will be used to develop highly sophisticated, personalised phishing campaigns using deepfake technology, making them harder to detect. AI-enabled malware would be able to adapt real-time to evade traditional security, while data poisoning attacks could compromise the integrity of critical AI systems. It warns of malicious content—including deepfake video or audio messages purportedly from trusted sources—facilitating more effective attacks that allow cybercriminals to trick users into executing malware or revealing sensitive information.

The Indian Cyber Crime Coordination Centre estimates that, till mid-2024, at least 7,000 cybercrime complaints were recorded daily—a 114 percent increase over the cases logged between 2021 and 2023. This is expected to worsen in 2025 with criminals adopting newer methods in the face of a weak prevention and detection mechanism. In its second annual Data Complexity Report, data infrastructure company NetApp pointed out that 41 percent of global tech executives were bracing for a significant increase in security threats as AI adoption increases—especially in countries such as India, where the rate of adoption is gaining momentum.

Although emphasis on cyber security is expanding beyond the private sector, with the 2024-25 Union budget allocating ₹759 crore to enhance the government's efforts, tangible and effective measures need to be explored to bolster detection of a whole range of cybercrimes. The central and state governments need to work as a federally unified unit to stringently crack down on an increasingly popular crime among white-collar criminals. Dedicated focus is needed on significantly improving investigation and tracking methods to hunt down cyber criminals. The intensified threat perception for 2025 makes the beefing up of cyber security an all-round imperative. It should be accorded more importance than the traditional defence sector, failing which the country's people and institutions would remain exposed to the constantly-evolving methods of cyber criminals.

SAVE CHILIKA ECOSYSTEM FROM HIGHWAY CONCERNS

THE Union road transport and highways ministry has approved the alignment proposal for a two-lane national highway over the Chilika lake in Odisha. Commissioned by the National Highways Authority under the Bharatmala Pariyojna, the 7.8-km link will be part of the Gopalpur-Satapada stretch that seeks to connect national highways 516A and 316.

The project's consequences would be double-edged. Yes, it would link a cluster of villages across three districts; but it would be ominous for Asia's largest brackish-water lake spread over 1,100 sq km. If the project makes through environmental clearances, the two-lane highway will be built over the most vital part of the coastal lagoon—the channel that connects it with the Bay of Bengal, making it a unique blend of marine, brackish and freshwater ecosystems that fosters vibrant biodiversity. The inlet-outlet channel that falls in Coastal Regulation Zone 1 is critical for the hydrology, ecology and productivity of the lake. It regulates the salinity gradient and controls sedimentation. Any project that tampers with it can have disastrous consequences for the wetland. In the early 2000s, a change in its character had prompted the government to go for eco-restoration involving the opening of a new mouth to revive the lagoon.

Chilika is not only the source of livelihood for over 1 lakh fishers, but is also of critical importance as a home to threatened species. The proposed 7.8-km connectivity includes two bridges of 1.7 km and 1.9 km length likely to interfere with the lake's sedimentation, breeding migration and salinity. Add to it the threat from light, sound and vehicular pollution to the endangered Irrawaddy dolphins, for which Chilika is the single largest home. This part of the Ramsar site is also on the Central Asian Flyway used by several migratory waterbirds; about a million avian guests arrive at the lagoon every year to escape harsh Eurasian winters. Chilika is already under pressure from climate change—its growing siltation is a major cause for concern. The central and state governments should draw up plans to conserve the fragile coastal ecosystem and not add to its burden. The need is to explore sustainable connectivity, instead of looking for shortcuts. Chilika must be protected at all costs.

QUICK TAKE

WHAT BILLIONAIRES WANT

THOMAS Piketty recently said India should be "active" in taxing the rich. The French economist showed that the proportion of national income held by the richest 1 percent Indians, estimated at 22.6 percent, surpassed that of their counterparts in the US and Brazil. At the same event in the national capital hosted by the think tank RIS and the Delhi School of Economics, the government's chief economic adviser worried that higher taxes could lead to higher outflows. American multi-billionaires such as Bill Gates and Warren Buffett have asked their government to impose higher levies on their incomes. Can we expect a similar declaration of intent from some of our 300-plus billionaires?

The governance of Syria can well fall into the hands of fundamentalist groups. Global powers must work towards dousing such a fire rather than reigniting it

UPHEAVAL IN LEVANT RAISES UNCERTAINTY AROUND THE WORLD

LT GEN SYED ATA HASNAIN (RETD)

Former Commander, Srinagar-based 15 Corps; Chancellor, Central University of Kashmir

SOURAV ROY

THE geopolitical complexities of West Asia make it one of the hotbeds of conflict based upon territorial ambitions, political influence, economic considerations and ideological factors. Since all these domains remain dynamic, predictive analysis is always a challenge.

Three major conflict situations have highlighted the combative environment of West Asia for fairly long. These are the Israel-Palestinian, Iran-Israel and the Iran-Saudi (read Shia-Sunni) conflicts. There are subsets within these conflicts that pepper the region. For example, there is the Yemen affair that is a proxy fallout of the Iran-Saudi contestation. The Palestinian-Israel standoff is meshed with the Iran-Israel affair, with Iran's proxies in the Gaza war zone and the Levant. In the midst of all this, there was the Syrian civil war, which dominated the West Asian security scene for almost a decade and was made worse by the presence of ISIS (Da'esh).

The presence of this ambitious and highly ruthless transnational terrorist group helped complicate the strategic environment of West Asia by many notches. Without a known sponsor and with little known about the actual ambitions of Daesh, the only way to battle it was in the physical domain. It took five years doing this, drawing the Russian, US, Iraqi, Syrian, Kurdish and Iranian armed resources into battle at different times before Daesh was defeated. West Asia remained in the throes of high instability through this period (2014-19), with little clarity on who needed to fight whom.

Is the latest Syrian revolution likely to result in something similar? There are enough reports from Eastern Syria of the potential revival of Daesh. US military resources say "the number of attacks claimed by Daesh in Iraq and Syria is on pace to more than double from last year, indicating the terrorist group is working to regain its strength". We need to remember that the collapse of the Syrian Army, the weakening of Hezbollah by Israel's war of attrition against it, the apparent loss of confidence of Iran's Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) and the rapid partial pullout of Russian military resources from Syria has left some voids for the current.

The lack of military activity and the absence of a rush to fill the voids is apparently a strategy by most powers to assess what exactly is happening in this core centre of conflict zones. It is only Israel that has taken advantage of the lull to strike the depots and military storage resources of the former Syrian Army where mostly Russian and Iranian equipment was stored. This was to offset the possibility of the employment of this equipment, including possible chemical weapons, against Israeli interests.

The new rulers of Syria, the Hay'at Tahrir al-Sham (HTS), have been different to the normal run of rebel forces in West Asia that usually were the promoters of lawlessness, chaos and turmoil. It will be interesting to see the model of governance that HTS establishes. Early talk of a secular model may be for social media attraction. The proof has to be on the table soon enough.

HTS has deeply committed to liquidating the presence and influence of the Iran-Hezbollah combination and perhaps Russia as well in Syria. Yet, it has an Islamist orientation that poses potential dangers to Syrian minorities—especially Alawites and Christians. Syrian governance falling into the hands of a fundamentalist group containing foreign fighters perhaps still harbouring transnational terrorist sentiments is not something that can be discounted.

Daesh as the undeclared strongest non-state entity in the region could be looking towards contesting the ownership of Syria. That could either lead to an HTS-Daesh conflict or an understanding, since they are not far removed from each other ideologically. The elements that successfully battled Daesh last time were the Iraqi Shia militias. We have no reports on the relationship of HTS with the militias, nor on the current military capability of the latter. In the context of recent unexpected military victories and defeats, one could expect surprises all over again.

Iraqi Shia militias, particularly those aligned with Iranian interests, have played a significant role in the region. These militias, such as Harakat Hezbollah al-Nujaba and Kata'ib Sayyid al-Shuhada , have maintained operations in Syria despite Iraq's internal stabilisation. They were vital to Iran's regional strategy and had been deployed to bolster the Assad regime, particularly in areas like Aleppo, Latakia, and Damascus. With the loss of these areas, it does not seem the militias are in any form to play a major role in the immediate future.

The importance of a Turkey-US joint strategy to keep the Levant area stable and free of terrorist activity becomes a virtual necessity. However, this is subject to the US rescinding its support to the Syrian Kurdish rebels, who played some part in Assad's defeat and flight out of Damascus. The Turks will not play ball with any Kurdish organisation becoming a beneficiary of the results of cooperation.

For Russia and Iran, most doors seem shut. While Russia's chief interest is on Syria to support its foothold on the Mediterranean coast and remain a significant player in the West Asia imbroglio, for Iran it's a question of re-establishing its proxy war strategy. Till the Assad regime lasted, both strategies could be served but no longer. Both powers will have to decide the *inter se* priority between territory and proxy war.

For Israel, it's a win-win thus far. It can focus on Gaza while keeping an eye on Syria and Lebanon. Logically, the capability of both Hamas and Hezbollah would have degraded substantially. Military success of Israel must aim at ending conflict rather than creating potential for reignition of the multiple contests in West Asia.

The last of the conflicts, Iran-Saudi, which is ideological in nature, could be re-ignited if sectarian conflict begins in Syria. This is an opportunity for big powers to prevent any such conflict. However, the weakening of Iran could be a deliberate strategic intent that may initiate dynamics that remain extremely unpredictable for now.

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PROPOSING A 2-FACTOR FORMULA FOR SHARING

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THE 16th Finance Commission so far visited 16 states; visits to 12 more will be completed in the next few months. The commission has covered most of the Northeastern and Himalayan states as well as smaller states. The information from news reports on these visits show that all states have raised two issues. One, increasing the combined share of states in the divisible pool of Union tax revenue to 50 percent and including cess and surcharges in the divisible pool. Two, change the horizontal distribution formula to protect each state's interests.

Gujarat and Southern states have argued to give efficiency a greater weight, and other smaller states have argued based on their specific fiscal problems. This is the opportune moment for states to argue for a transformative change in the horizontal distribution formula.

Basics of a horizontal distribution formula : The formula is to address the budget deficits or fiscal gaps in states' budgets. The differences in fiscal gaps is because states differ in terms of population, revenue capacity, area, other specific problems and efficiency factors. Finance commissions recommend a distribution formula assigning different weights to these indicators and the indicators are also defined variously by them.

Because finance commissions change these complex formulas, the states cannot easily predict how their fiscal behaviour will be assessed by future commissions. But the overall analysis suggests that ultimately a state's share in tax revenue increases with its population and declines with its income, as the Finance Commission prefers equity to efficiency.

Population and income: For the 15th Finance Commission, the Centre stipulated to use the 2011 census population in the distribution formula. This has directly affected the shares of states that have drastically reduced fertility rates since the 1960s. Population control is a behavioral change effected through democratising education and health care, and consequent social change to accept fertility control. This has not been adequately rewarded.

'Income distance' is another important indicator with more than 45 percent weight in the distribution formula. The distance of the real per capita income of a state from the highest per capita income of all states is calculated and scaled up by the 2011 population of the state. As a result, we find states smaller in terms of population growth and larger in terms of size of the economy have received lower shares in the Union tax revenue compared to states with larger populations and smaller economies. Thus, equity is a major factor in the distribution formula.

FINANCE COMMISSION INDIA

> One goal of the Finance Commission is to give a desired direction to states' policy behaviour with fiscal incentives. A simple, two-variable formula for distributing tax revenues can go a long way in influencing progressive policies for development

Predictable formula to incentivise fiscal behaviour: The Finance Commission is constituted once in five years; the real concern then is to incentivise the fiscal behaviour of states on the desired path based on their recent behaviour. This requires the distribution formula to be simple with a few economic indicators. Such a formula would signal the states that their future fiscal behaviour will be evaluated based on their impact on a few economic variables.

The area of a state has been a part of the distribution formulas recommended by many commissions. The 15th Finance Commission also gave 15 percent weight to it and had to do a balancing act by adjusting the area to scale up small states. 12 states identified as small states by the 15th FC. Those smaller states had 10 percent of the 2011 population and got a share of around 12.5 percent of the tax devolution.

Smaller and larger states are not comparable by many indicators, therefore treating them as equals is not fair. Alternatively, we can think of assigning 10 to 12.5 percent of the Union tax revenue to these smaller states and a formula-based set of comparable indicators should be used to derive the *inter se* shares for horizontal distribution. The remaining 85 percent of Union tax revenue can be distributed among larger states.

In the last 75 years, every state ought to have internalised its area in its fiscal policies. This indicator can be dropped from the distribution formula. Some of the previous finance commissions have used forest cover, infrastructure index, and tax effort. Now there are demands to include indicators of urbanisation, old-age population, SC/ST population and poverty ratios.

Increasing the number of indicators and assigning weights to each of them will make the distribution formula complex. As we mentioned already, a finance commission's recommendation is for a brief period of five years, therefore, it has to be simple and predictable to influence fiscal behaviour of states. Continuity between finance commissions is also necessary. Therefore, too many indicators should be avoided in the distribution formula.

Alternatively, for larger states, the distribution formula should have only two variables—population and state's income. Fiscal policies that help reducing population and increasing state's income shall concomitantly reduce fiscal gap and improve fiscal responsibility of states.

This simple two-variable distribution formula—with changing weights in successive finance commissions—will incentivise performing states and motivate the others to reduce population and develop their economies. The natural outcome of this will be reduced fiscal gaps in the states. Thus, the desired objective of the distribution formula will be achieved.

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Lasting solutions

Ref: *Prepare for a weaker, volatile rupee in 2025* (Dec 16). The rupee's fall shows how dependent India is on global markets and how fragile our domestic economy can be. Instead of relying on short-term measures like RBI interventions, we need lasting solutions—investing in manufacturing, encouraging innovation, and boosting exports.
Ritika Sarkar, Bengaluru

RIP Zakir

Zakir Hussain, one of the most celebrated tabla maestros who enthralled millions of music fans for decades, is no more. The tabla he used to entrance, enrapture, and captivate is now lying in the corner of his house sadly singing unto itself, mourning the demise of its master. This is an irreparable loss for the nation and the industry, and he will be remembered by music lovers forever.
R Sampath, Chennai

Extraordinary musician

The passing away of Zakir Hussain has left a vacuum in the world of music that cannot be filled. He was an extraordinary musician whose music made hearts all over the world beat with joy. He contributed to Indian music in a big way, making tabla a popular instrument all over the world.
Madhavi Mishra, Bengaluru

Ruining cricket

In earlier years, playing cricket for the country used to be the priority for our cricketers. After the IPL started, the country has become secondary and money-making has become a priority. IPL is giving a backdoor entry to untalented players as business people are showing nepotism in the selection. Earlier, playing for the country used to be equal to military men's patriotism. But now, after IPL, cricket has become monkey cricket.
T Kailash Ditya, Hyderabad

Helping ourselves

Ref: *Anniversary of the story of the lord* (Dec 16). The *Bhagavad Gita* sums up that you only have yourself to liberate you from all shackles of the world. Like the five Pandavas with the guidance of Krishna, we have our five senses with the guidance of our mind, to achieve our goal by work.
Ullattil Pakiteeri Raghunathan, Thrissur

Universal scripture

The *Bhagavad Gita* equates life to warfare, in which the virtuous ultimately vanquish the vicious. It is a universal scripture for spiritual unfoldment, making the spiritual aspirant realise pure consciousness with no place for duality.
R Pichumani, Kumbakonam

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POSTS OF THE DAY

Yogi Adityanath @myogiadityanath
Not a single arrest is being made in Sambhal without evidence. Remember, not even on of whoever has pelted stones, spoiled the atmosphere, will be spared.

Mallikarjun Kharge @kharge
The whole country knows that in 1949, RSS leaders opposed the Constitution of India because it was not based on Manusmriti ... Manusmriti is still prevalent in the minds of BJP-RSS people.

Akhilesh Yadav @yadavakhilesh
The safer the environment is for women, the more they will be able to contribute to the development of the nation.

PMML Society seeks Nehru letters from Rahul

Historian says records on first PM, including his letters to Lady Mountbatten, withdrawn on orders of Sonia Gandhi

PARVEZ SULTAN @ New Delhi

HISTORIAN and a member of the Prime Minister's Museum and Library (PMML) Society Rizwan Kadri has sought intervention of Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi for retrieving documents, which were part of the Jawaharlal Nehru collections.

Kadri claimed that several historical records related to the first Prime Minister of the country including his letters to Lady Mountbatten were withdrawn on the instructions of Sonia Gandhi in 2008.

The issue was also raised in the Lok Sabha on Monday. Puri BJP MP Sambit Patra, during Question Hour, said that the records were important to understand the history of India and appealed to the culture ministry to probe the matter and bring back the documents to the museum.

In response, Union Culture Minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat said that he had noted the suggestion and action could be taken in the matter.

Later, speaking at a press conference, Patra said that the documents were not personal property of anyone or any family, but historical documents part of the "treasure" of India and should be given back.

"What were the contents of the letter that the first family felt should not be made public," Patra asked. He said that the digitisation process of historical records began in the museum in 2010 but the Gandhi family decided to take back the letters' possession before that.

Kadri told this newspaper that in September he, in his personal capacity, had written to Sonia Gandhi requesting her to return the documents in question to the institution. On December 10, he sent a letter to Rahul with a similar request as there was no response from her. "In my letter, I requested Sonia Gandhi to return the documents to the museum or allow us to scan the papers. In 51 cartons full of documents from eight different sections, which were part of the Nehru collections at the Prime Ministers' Museum were taken away in 2008. They were donated earlier to the institutions. How can they be taken back? The papers are a nation's heritage and an important aspect of its history. They will help researchers," he said.

According to the Ahmedabad-based historian, the collection removed from the museum includes exchange between Nehru and Lady Mountbatten and letters written to Pandit Govind Ballabh Pant, Jayaprakash Narayan, and other individuals.

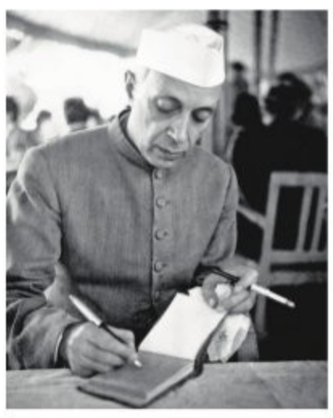
"The letters are a significant part of Indian history and have been proven through records to have been withdrawn from the museum in 2008 at Sonia Gandhi's direction... I also urged Rahul Gandhi to consider returning these documents as they are an important aspect of its history," Kadri said, adding that he is yet to receive any response from both leaders.

PMML Director Sanjiv Nandan Sahai said that the institution had not made any correspondence with the Gandhi family. Chairman of the PMML Society Nripendra Misra said that the issue was flagged in the Annual General Meeting of the PMML and the matter was left to the director to decide.

"The papers were donated by the family and taken back. It was discussed in the AGM when two-three members raised the issue. The AGM let the director look into it," he said.

Responding to the BJP's allegation, Congress MP and permanent invitee to Congress Working Committee Manickam Tagore questioned the demand raised by Patra.

"Why do Godse's grandsons want the Nehru letter from the Nehru family? What is the sudden interest? We all know that Sanghis spread lies and fake stories about Nehruji," he wrote on social media platform 'X', formerly Twitter.

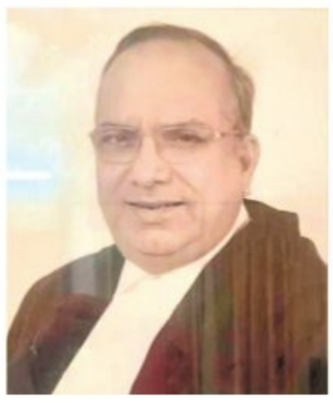


Action likely

The issue was raised in the Lok Sabha, with BJP MP Sambit Patra saying the records are important to understand the history of India and appealed to the culture ministry to bring back the documents to the museum. Culture Minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat said action could be taken.

'Persons with political and religious prejudices mustn't be made judges'

IN the wake of uproar over Allahabad High Court Judge Justice Shekhar Kumar Yadav's recent comments on Uniform Civil Code and that India will be run by the majority at a Vishwa Hindu Parishad (VHP) function, retired Supreme Court judge **Justice A K Pattnaik** tells Suchitra Kalyan Mohanty that a judge shouldn't express views on political matters at a public forum. **Excerpts**:



What's your take on Justice Yadav's comment?
He (Justice Yadav) should not have expressed his views on political matters at a public meeting. It was incorrect to do so. He may have his views on certain matters, but shouldn't express in a public platform.

Do you think Justice Yadav broke rules mandating judges to maintain impartiality, equality and restraint in their judgments as well as outside the court?
Justice Yadav has taken oath to uphold the Constitution. He has acted against the oath by expressing his opinion against a religious community. Has he forgotten that he is a judge? He crossed his boundaries.

At least 55 MPs have signed a joint petition in the Rajya Sabha to impeach Justice Yadav...
It was expected of the 55 MPs to initiate a move to impeach Justice Yadav. The Constitution provides that a judge can be removed only by an order of the President, based on a motion passed by both Houses of Parliament. To initiate proceedings, at least 100 members of the Lok Sabha may submit a signed petition to the Speaker, or 50 members of the Rajya Sabha may give a signed notice to the Chairman. The Speaker or Chairman may consult individuals and examine relevant material related to the notice. Based on this, he/she may decide to either admit the motion or refuse it.

Do you feel his comments warrant impeachment?
His impeachment is warranted as his comments amount to misbehaviour by a judge.

Has Justice Yadav crossed the 'Lakshman Rekha'?
Yes, he has commented against the minority community and politically sensitive matters. He is a judge, he should not have expressed his views on political matters, and that too at a public meeting.

Judges have to follow Standard Operating Procedures by adhering to rules. However, it seems that some judges often speak on political issues...
Some judges often talk on politically sensitive issues, which must be avoided. A judge has to pass orders.

A litigant looks up to the judiciary for justice. In the wake of controversy over Justice Yadav's comments, can people still expect impartial justice?
These comments by any judge erode the faith of common man in the judiciary. Judges under any circumstances should not go out of the way and follow the SOP.

Do you think the time has come for the judiciary to strengthen SOP for strict rules and even punishment?
Judges are well aware of the rules. Persons with religious prejudices and with strong political inclinations should not be appointed as judges. The rights of minority are protected by the Constitution, and so, a judge cannot violate those.

Currently, the only punishment for a permanent judge is impeachment. The punishment for an additional judge is that he/she must not be confirmed.

What is the process for impeachment?
First, the House investigates through an inquiry. Second, the House of Representatives must pass, by a simple majority of those present and voting, articles of impeachment, which constitute the formal allegations. Upon passage, the defendant has been impeached.

The procedure relating to the removal of an High Court or Supreme Court judge is regulated by the Judges Inquiry Act, 1968, by the process of impeachment. The removal motion of an SC judge can only be introduced in the Lok Sabha. The President can issue the removal order after an address by Parliament, supported by a simple majority of each House.

21 fake univs in country, 8 in Delhi; Centre says will protect students

KAVITA BAJELI-DATT @ New Delhi

THE University Grants Commission (UGC) has declared 21 "self-styled" universities, eight in Delhi alone, as fake, the Central government informed the Lok Sabha on Monday.

In a written reply, Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan said that currently, 21 institutions figure in the list of fake universities.

"Maintenance of law and order is a subject matter of respective state governments. Accordingly, the Central government has requested to chief secretaries of all the states and Union Territories to take legal action for closure of these institutions and take appropriate action against those involved in defrauding and cheating students by misrepresenting themselves as 'universities', awarding degrees and using the word 'university' with their name," he said.

Apart from Delhi, the other 'fake' universities were from Uttar Pradesh (4), Andhra Pradesh (2), Kerala (2), West Bengal (2), Karnataka (1), Maharashtra (1) and Puducherry (1).

Pradhan said the states and UTs have also been requested to inform the Central government or the UGC if there are other fake universities, which are not included in the UGC list of fake universities, functioning in their territories.

He said the Central government has taken several steps to caution the general public, students, parents and other stakeholders. He said they also issued public notices for general awareness through social media and the UGC website.

The government as well as the UGC have requested the chief secretaries of all state and UT governments to take appropriate action against those involved in defrauding and cheating students by misrepresenting themselves as "universities", awarding degrees and using the word "university" with their name.

FIRs have been lodged against several self-styled institutions and universities.

Stringent action

Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan said that FIRs have been lodged against several self-styled institutions and universities. Show cause or warning notices have also been issued to the unauthorised institutes awarding invalid degrees. The list of fake universities is available on the UGC website at *https://www.ugc.gov.in/universitydetails/Fakeuniversity*. The state and UTs were told to inform about similar universities that do not figure in the UGC list.

₹1,000 crore credit guarantee scheme for farmers launched

JITENDRA CHOUBEY @ New Delhi

THE Centre on Monday unveiled a credit guarantee scheme (CGS) to help small farmers who engage in distress selling.

Launched by Union Food and Consumer Affairs Minister Prahlad Joshi, the scheme provides a corpus of Rs 1000 crore to help farmers- especially small and marginal- access post-harvest loans using electronic warehouse receipts.

"The scheme will revolutionise agriculture credit systems and reduce banks' reluctance to provide loans to farmers," said Joshi.

Currently, farmers are compelled to sell their produce even if the price crashes to get money to invest in the next cycle of crops. As this scheme takes off, farmers will get the opportunity to submit their produce and get issued electronic negotiable warehouse receipts (e-NWRs) by Warehousing Development and Regulatory Authority (WDRA) registered repositories. It will act as collateral for banks to issue required loans. Farmers can sell their produce when the price goes up. The banks need to adopt a liberal approach towards farmers in settling loan amounts and other finances like e-NWR receipts, he stated.

"Farming can be sustainable only if it is economically viable and the scheme is meant for it," said Joshi. He further emphasized that India's food security needs to be robust as India will act as food security for other countries in the coming years.

Invoking the PM's commitment towards farmers' welfare, the union minister said that fertilizer prices have globally increased due to ongoing conflicts. In contrast, the government of India provides urea to farmers at the lowest rates in the world. Only 2-3% of big farmers use the CGS facility.

"We need to introduce interest subvention schemes to encourage small farmers to benefit from this scheme," said Faiz Ahmad Kidwai, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare.

The current post-harvest lending stands at around ₹40,000 crore out of total agricultural lending ₹21 lakh crore.

"Currently, the e-NWRs lending is a mere ₹4,000 crore against the potential ₹5.5 lakh crore," said Sanjeev Chopra, secretary of Department of Food and Public Distribution.

Chopra emphasized that after the launch of the scheme, the post-harvest lending will grow to ₹5.5 lakh crore in the next 10 years. "For this, banking and warehouse sectors coordinated efforts required to achieve the ₹5.5 lakh crore target," said Chopra.

The secretary also stressed the need to streamline the e-Kisan Upaj Nidhi online platform, create awareness among farmers about pledge financing, review depository charges and increase warehouse registrations beyond the current 5,800.

The secretary added that creating awareness about the CGS-NPF scheme, making National e-Repository Limited and Countrywide Commodity Repository Limited repository charges reasonable and working towards registering more warehouses need to be prioritised.

A HELPING HAND TO SMALL FARMERS

- The scheme aims to provide credit facilities to small farmers to prevent them from distress selling
- Currently banks are reluctant to provide agriculture loans to farmers in the absence of a collateral
- Under the revamped credit guarantee scheme, banks will issue agri loans against warehouse receipts (e-NWR)
- Farmers can deposit their produce at the nearest warehouse to obtain the e-NWR
- Farmers can sell the produce only after the price goes up. In the meantime, they can get a loan over their produce to invest in the next cycle of crops

Currently, the e-NWR lending is mere **₹4000 CR** against the potential of **₹5.5 lakh crore**. Most of the lending is done by traders and big farmers.

Priyanka asks govt to take steps for safety of minorities in Bangladesh

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

CONGRESS MP Priyanka Gandhi Vadra on Monday claimed in the Lok Sabha that a photograph of Pakistan surrendering before the Indian Army in Dhaka, had been removed from the Army headquarters.

Raising the issue during the Zero Hour, Priyanka said the picture had been removed on Monday, which also happens to be Vijay Diwas.

Exerting that the removal of the iconic picture was an insult to the memory of Field Marshal Manekshaw, General Arora and Brigadier KS Chandpuri, Vadra sought its immediate restoration at the original place.

The Wayanad MP remembered the role of soldiers and martyrs who fought the war of 1971 between India and Pakistan. The war also resulted in the liberation of Bangladesh. Speaking to reporters outside Parliament, Priyanka said she wanted to speak on the Vijay Diwas, but was not allowed to complete her statement.

She further asked the Union government to ensure the safety and security of the minorities in Bangladesh.

The Wayanad MP said she wanted to tell how the Indira Gandhi government had led the country during the Bangladesh war. She said it was a war of principles then.

She observed that a similar situation had emerged in Bangladesh today, where minorities like the Hindus and the Christians were being targeted. She said she wanted to tell the government to ensure their safety and speak with the Bangladesh government on the matter.

Priyanka's attire, showing solidarity with war-torn Palestine, also caused a political row. She carried a bag to Parliament that had 'Palestine' and watermelon (symbol of the country's resistance) emblazoned on it. She also wore a black and white saree, symbolising 'keffiyeh', the scarf worn as a Palestinian national symbol. The MP has long been raising her voice against Israel's actions in Gaza.

Congress leaders Deepender Hooda, Priyanka Gandhi Vadra and KC Venugopal take part in a protest in the Parliament House Complex, in New Delhi on Monday | PTI

TMC makes U-turn on EVMs, differs with Cong on functioning

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

IN a departure from its earlier stand, Trinamool Congress (TMC) on Monday asserted that there is nothing "substantial" in the allegations of manipulation of the Electronic Voting Machines (EVM).

In 2019, West Bengal chief minister Mamata Banerjee had demanded return of ballot papers in place of the EVMs and announced that she would launch a campaign to bring back the ballot papers.

Contradicting the previous statement, TMC general secretary Abhishek Banerjee told reporters on Monday that his "opinion was that those raising questions on EVMs should show a demo of its discrepancies to the Election Commission (EC).

The remarks were seen as a criticism to the Congress and other Opposition parties that have been raising concerns over alleged manipulation of EVMs in Maharashtra and Haryana assembly polls. Congress has earlier demanded abolishing the EVMs and holding elections with ballot papers.

Abhishek Banerjee said that those who have complaints should do a "demo" instead of making statements.

"They should show any video to the EC. The EC even called everyone. I have been conducting elections on the ground for a long time. If someone works well during EVM randomisation and the booth workers check EVMs during mock polls or review form 17C, which is used to check ballot units or control units, during counting of votes, I don't think there is anything substantial in these allegations of EVM manipulation," he said.

"If someone still feels that EVMs can be hacked, then they should meet the Election Commission and show how the EVMs can be hacked," Abhishek Banerjee added.

POWER CORRIDOR

Rajya Sabha MP Sudha Murthy arrives for the winter session of Parliament on Monday; Union minister Bhupender Yadav with Congress MP Jairam Ramesh | PTI

SIX NEWLY ELECTED RS MPs TAKE OATH

Six newly elected MPs took oath as Rajya Sabha members on Monday. This included former National Commission for Women chairperson Rekha Sharma; industrialist Sana Sathish Babu; TDP's Beeda Mastan Rao and BJP's Ryaga Krishnaiah from Andhra Pradesh; BJP's Sujeet Kumar and TMC's Ritabrata Banerjee from West Bengal.

SIBAL RAISES CONCERN ABOUT DEMOCRACY

Rajya Sabha MP Kapil Sibal on Monday raised concerns about the "state of Indian democracy", criticising the current political landscape and warning about potential threats from global tech powers. Pointing to "systemic failures in the country's democratic framework," he said, "India is not about one man, but about people of this country."

ONE NATION ONE POLL BILL MAY BE TABLED TODAY

A constitutional amendment bill for holding Lok Sabha and assembly elections simultaneously is likely to be introduced in Parliament on Tuesday and could be referred to a joint committee of the two Houses. An agency report quoted a government functionary as saying that the Constitution (129th Amendment) Bill, 2024, popularly referred to as the 'One Nation, One Election Bill', may be introduced by Union Law Minister.

MAHIM DARGAH URS

The Mumbai police on Monday presented the first "chadar" at the Hazrat Makhdoom Ali Mahimi Dargah in suburban Mahim, as the annual 10-day fair began amid tight security, an official said.

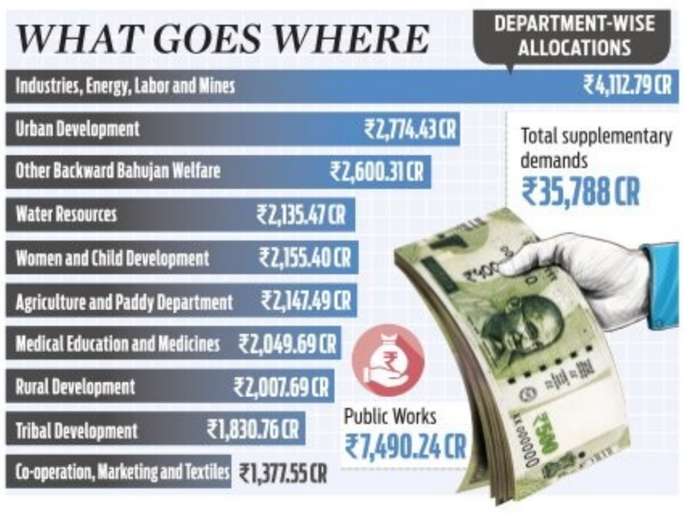
3 HELD FOR POACHING TIGER IN MP'S NARMADAPURAM

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	27	15	Mumbai	30	21
Bhopal	25	09	Panaji	32	19
Jaipur	22	09	Patna	26	13
Amritsar	19	03	Lucknow	25	09
Chennai	24	22	Port Blair	27	25
Kolkata	26	16	Imphal	23	10
Srinagar	08	-03	Chandigarh	21	06

MahaYuti tables ₹35K cr supplementary budget

Maha discontent brews as several cabinet aspirants feel left out

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai


WHAT GOES WHERE
DEPARTMENT-WISE ALLOCATIONS
Industries, Energy, Labor and Mines ₹4,112.79 CR
Urban Development ₹2,774.43 CR
Other Backward Bahujan Welfare ₹2,600.31 CR
Water Resources ₹2,135.47 CR
Women and Child Development ₹2,155.40 CR
Agriculture and Paddy Department ₹2,147.49 CR
Medical Education and Medicines ₹2,049.69 CR
Rural Development ₹2,007.69 CR
Tribal Development ₹1,830.76 CR
Co-operation, Marketing and Textiles ₹1,377.55 CR
Total supplementary demands ₹35,788 CR
Public Works ₹7,490.24 CR

THE MahaYuti government on Monday tabled ₹35,788 crore supplementary budget on the first day of the winter session of the Assembly in Nagpur. The majority of supplementary budget is required to meet various welfare schemes such as the Ladki Bahin.

Minister and Shiv Sena MLA Uday Samant tabled the supplementary budget, seeking additional funds over the budgetary allocations. The supplementary budget includes a provision of ₹1,400 crore for the Mukhyamantri Majhi Ladki Bahin scheme, ₹7,490 crore for PWD, ₹4,112 crore for the industry, power and labour departments. The Urban Development Department has been granted ₹2,774 crore, the Rural Development Department ₹2,007 crore, and the Tribal Development Department ₹1,830 crore, and a provision of ₹36 crore allocated for the construction of a statue of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj at Rajkot Fort in Malvan taluka of Sindhudurg district.

In the last annual budget, the government announced ₹46,000 crore to provide a monthly allowance of ₹1,500 to women in the age group of 21-60 years under the Ladki Bahin scheme. More than 2.5 crore women have received the monthly instalments. However, the government has decided to scrutinise the applications of the beneficiaries and put stringent norms before releasing the monthly financial aides.

The state government has also allocated ₹1,204 crore for margin money loans to sugar cooperative factories and ₹3,050 crore for the Mukhyamantri Baliraja Scheme aimed at providing free electricity to farmers using agricultural pumps of up to 7.5 horsepower.

Meanwhile, discontent is brewing with senior leaders of the ruling coalition expressing their displeasure over being denied ministerial berths during the swearing-in of 39 ministers in Devendra Fadnavis cabinet in Nagpur a day before.

NCP leader Chhagan Bhujbal and BJP's Sudhir Mungantiwar, both of whom overlooked for cabinet positions, appeared unhappy on Monday after the ministry expansion along with some legislators from the Shiv Sena who also felt ignored.

Gehlot ex-aide pardoned in phone tap case

SHEKHAR SINGH @ New Delhi

DELHI'S Patiala House Court has granted a conditional pardon to Lokesh Sharma, the former Officer on Special Duty (OSD) of Rajasthan's ex-Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot, in connection with the illegal phone tapping case. Sharma was granted the pardon after he agreed to become an approver.

The court's decision was made on the condition that Sharma would provide a truthful disclosure of all circumstances related to the case, including the involvement of various individuals and his own role in the commission of the offence. The illegal phone tapping case was registered by Gajendra Singh Shekhawat against Ashok Gehlot for unlawfully intercepting his telephone conversations.

Sharma had secured anticipatory bail from the Patiala House Court on November 21. The Prashant Vihar Crime Branch recorded his arrest, prepared the arrest memo, and released him in compliance with the court order.

On November 14, Sharma had withdrawn a petition in the Delhi HC seeking relief from arrest and requesting a transfer of the case to Rajasthan. After the withdrawal, the court lifted the stay on his arrest.

SP smells BJP plot in Sambhal violence, ruckus in UP House

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

THE winter session of the UP legislature took off on a fiery note on Monday with the belligerent opposition raising Sambhal violence in which five people lost their lives during the survey of Shahi Jama Masjid on November 24.

The matter was raised by Samajwadi Party members, who said that Sambhal was pushed to communal violence as part of a pre-planned conspiracy by the ruling BJP for political gains.

However, CM Yogi Adityanath said that their attempts to conceal the truth would fail. "No one can hide the sun, the moon, or the truth for long. The truth will eventually come out," he said.

Yogi said that the administration was handling Sambhal with transparency. "A judicial commission has been set up to investigate the Sambhal incident, with its members tasked to record statements, hear all parties, and uncover the truth," Yogi said, adding that the survey of the mosque was conducted in compliance of the court order on November 19 and 21.

However, the atmosphere was vitiated after inflammatory speeches were delivered before and during Friday prayers from the mosques on November 23, Yogi said. "The situation that unfolded thereafter is known to everyone," he said.

SP MLA from Sambhal Iqbal Mehmood said that the survey of Jama Masjid was deliberately carried out on November 24 to cover up the anomalies done by the BJP government in the Muslim-dominated Kundarki bypoll. He claimed that the BJP snatched the voting power of Muslims in Kundarki to wrest the seat. "The police were deliberately deployed to prevent a section of the electorate, primarily Muslims, from voting," Mehmood said.

PATNA DIARY

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Row over Cong to play 'big brother' remark

Purnea MP and Congress leader Rajesh Ranjan alias Pappu Yadav has created a flutter in political circles by saying that Congress will play the role of 'big brother' in the 2025 assembly elections in Bihar. His statement coincided with Bihar Congress president Akhilesh Prasad Singh's claim that the grand old party will contest not less than 70 seats in the assembly elections. The Congress leaders' remarks ahead of polls have given a jolt to Lalu Prasad's RJD, which till recently happened to be the single largest party in the assembly. RJD had won 75 seats, one more than BJP in the last assembly polls. RJD leaders did not comment on the two Congress leaders' remarks.

Online mentorship course for students

Political strategist-turned activist Prashant Kishor's Jan Suraaj Party has launched an Online Mentorship Programme for the students preparing for various competitive examinations, including Bihar Public Service Commission, IIT JEE, NEET, IIM and others. 2011-batch IPS officer Anand Mishra, who resigned from his service to contest the 2024 Lok Sabha elections from Bihar's Buxar seat, provided tips to students. The objective is to improve educational standard in the state and help meritorious students to crack examinations. A panel of experts has been formed for the purpose.

Nitish flags off 109 free medicine vehicles

Bihar CM Nitish Kumar flagged off 109 free medicine vehicles. These vehicles will travel across the state to timely provide necessary medicines free of cost and improve health services. The CM described it as a historic initiative in the field of health services for the poorest and deprived sections of society. These vehicles will strengthen and streamline the medicine supply chain in the state. The vehicles are fitted with GPS devices to keep a tab on their movement and have been launched under the Swasth Bihar (Healthy Bihar) Mission.

5 held, booked under Pocso for gang-raping teen

PRASANTA MAZUMDAR @ Guwahati

TRIPURA police arrested five people for alleged gang-rape of a minor girl. The girl is hospitalised and not in a position to give her statement before a magistrate, police said.

Two of the accused, one reportedly known to the girl, had allegedly picked her up from her home which comes under the Shantirbazar police station limits in the South Tripura district on Friday.

She was then taken to a rubber plantation where the crime was committed. Later, she was dropped near her house, the police said. "We registered a case under relevant sections of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita and Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act. During investigation, we found the involvement of five people. Soon, they were arrested," Ashutosh Sharma, officer incharge of Shantirbazar police station said.

He said the accused were produced in a local court for the second day on Monday. No order was passed on Sunday in the absence of the Special Magistrate. "We have recorded her statement. She underwent a medical examination, the report of which is awaited."

7 picked for questioning in killings of 2 migrant workers in Manipur

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Guwahati

THE Manipur Police picked up seven members of a militant organisation in connection with the recent killings of two construction workers from Bihar's Gopalganj.

Speaking on the sidelines of Vijay Diwas celebrations, Chief Minister N Biren Singh said, "We strongly suspect the involvement of politically-motivated groups in the incident. The police have picked up seven members of an outfit and are interrogating them to find out if they were involved. We will definitely find out the culprit."

The Manipur government has announced an ex-gratia of ₹10 lakh each for the next of kin of the two deceased – Sunalal Kumar (18) and Dasharat Kumar (17).

The CM on Sunday said that the incident could be part of a larger conspiracy to destabilise Manipur. "The case will be transferred to the National Investigation Agency to ensure a fair and thorough inquiry, if needed," he said.

He said every possible effort is underway to identify, apprehend, and prosecute those responsible for killing the two migrant labourers.

The victims were fired upon by unidentified persons on the Kakching-Wabagai Road while returning to their rented accommodation at the Kakching Bazar riding bicycles. Both succumbed to their injuries.

On Vijay Diwas, he said, "I salute all martyrs who sacrificed their lives for the liberation of Bangladesh. Many sepoys and officers from Manipur had taken part in the campaign. I send my best wishes to all the families of the martyrs and the Bangladeshis who were liberated by the Indian Army."

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Shah meets families hit by Maoist violence in Bastar, pledges support

EJAZ KAISER @ Raipur

Home Minister Amit Shah pays tributes at the Amar Vatika memorial for soldiers who lost their lives in Naxalite violence, in Jagdalpur, Bastar on Monday | PTI

UNION Home Minister Amit Shah on Monday expressed his condolences to the families of jawans killed in Maoist attacks and the civilians affected by violence in the strife-torn region of Bastar in Chhattisgarh. He assured them of steady support from the Central and the state governments.

During the second day of his visit to Bastar, Shah interacted with the families affected by Maoist violence and sympathised with them over the immense suffering they had to endure during the virtual battle against the left-wing extremists continuing in the conflict-ridden zone.

"No one can compensate for the losses of loved ones in Maoist violence but we surely stand firm to support them and come out with some regulations to address the grievances of the families of martyrs and those affected by Naxal brutality. What happened in the last 40 years shouldn't be repeated in future, and the only solution is to eliminate the Maoists; for this, the Chhattisgarh government remains committed. The success of the strong anti-Maoist campaign will ensure there will be no bloodshed in the land of Bastar after March 31, 2026", the home minister said.

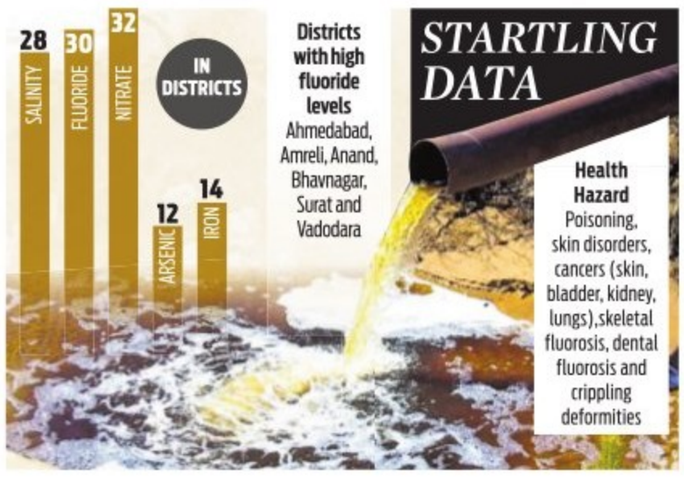
The Shahid Smarak 'Amar Vatika' memorial in Bastar gives an inspiration that life is meant for the welfare of others and highlights how, over the past year, a well-planned renewed strategy has significantly curtailed the influence of Maoists across the Bastar region where simultaneous developmental activities continue.

"Never had such huge expanse secured free from the Maoists' hold as seen in the last year. This is owing to the perfect strategy adopted in Chhattisgarh after the change of regime in the state. Our efforts are focused on three fronts: encouraging Maoist rebels to surrender, arresting those involved in violence and responding firmly to those threatening lives. Those who choose the path of violence are being dealt with in their own language," Shah stated.

Shah appreciated the state government's initiative to dedicate one day every week to the office of the Bastar Inspector General of Police to look into and address the grievances of the affected families. He suggested that district collectors should also participate in the initiative to make the support system more effective and comprehensive. The statues of slain security personnel will be installed in their villages in honour of their memory and to preserve the legacy for future generations.

Alarming groundwater contamination across Gujarat districts, Lok Sabha told

DILIP SINGH KSHATRIYA @ Ahmedabad



THE Government of India, in a concerning update to the Rajya Sabha, has flagged an alarming situation regarding groundwater pollution in Gujarat.

According to the data wise Number of Partly Affected Districts (cumulative) with major contaminants in ground water of India in 2022-23, major contaminants have affected numerous districts across the state.

Salinity levels exceeding 3000 micro mhos/cm (EC) were detected in 28 districts, while fluoride levels above 1.5 mg/l plagued 30 districts. Nitrate contamination, surpassing the safe limit of 45 mg/l, was found in 32 districts, and arsenic levels above 0.01 mg/l affected 12 districts.

Additionally, 14 districts reported iron concentrations exceeding 1 mg/l. Fluoride levels exceeding 1.5 mg/L have been recorded in several districts across Gujarat, including Ahmedabad, Amreli, Anand, Arvalli, Banaskantha, Bhavnagar, Botad, Chhota Udepur, Dahod, Devbhoomi Dwarka, Gir Somnath, Jamnagar, Junagadh, Kachchh, Mahesana, Morbi, Narmada, Panchmahal, Patan, Porbandar, Rajkot, Sabarkantha, Surat, Surendranagar, and Vadodara.

In a reply by the Union Ministry of Jal Shakti in response to MP R Girirajan's question in the Upper House, the government highlighted the grave health hazards posed by contaminated groundwater.

Arsenic contamination has been linked to poisoning, skin disorders, and cancers of the skin, bladder, kidney, and lungs. Excessive fluoride levels can cause crippling skeletal or dental fluorosis, while high concentrations of heavy metals like mercury increase the risk of kidney diseases, poisoning, and cancer.

PAPER LEAK

Lathicharge on students seeking exam cancellation

MUKESH RANJAN @ Ranchi

THE Jharkhand police resorted to lathi-charge on Monday to disperse students, who were protesting near Jharkhand Staff Service Commission (JSSC) against alleged irregularities in the JSSC-CGL recruitment examination held in September. Jharkhand State Students' Union (JSSU) leader Devendra Nath Mahto, along with some other students, was also detained.

On December 10, the police used batons and fired tear gas shells on students who demanded cancellation of the results declared by the JSSC alleging huge irregularities.

The district administration had implemented Section 163 of BNS (Prohibitory orders) around 500 metres radius of the JSSC office. The agitating students, however, claimed they were staging a peaceful demonstration around a km away from the JSSC office.

"Despite the fact that we did not break any law, police used batons on us and took away, beat our leader Devendra Nath Mahto and took him away," said a protesting student.

Meanwhile, State BJP President and former Chief Minister Babulal Marandi condemned the incident calling it a barbaric act by Jharkhand Police at the behest of the state government. Marandi said the lathi-charge on students is inhuman and condemnable.

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Students stir over paper leak, Bihar exam put off

RAMASHANKAR @ Patna

THE Bihar Public Service Commission (BPSC) on Monday cancelled the 70th combined preliminary examination conducted by the commission at Bapu Bhawan examination centre in the state capital on December 13.

BPSC chairman Ravi Manubhai Parmar said the decision was taken after discussions with the commission officials. Around 1,2000 students appeared at the examination at Bapu Bhawan examination centre. "These students will be given another opportunity to appear at the examination. The date of a fresh examination will be announced later," he told the media.

The chairman said the issue would be discussed after December 18-19. However, he clarified that the examination centres' results will be published on the same date. He said that 25 individuals had been identified who had created a scene inside the examination hall and snatched the question papers. "We are about to review the report we received from the team that visited the examination centre," he added.

Two teams have been formed to investigate the examinees' allegations that question papers were distributed late. "The decision to conduct a fresh examination has been taken in the interest of bonafide candidates, who could not write their papers due to protest," he said.

Exam fiasco

The BPSC conducted the examination at 912 centres across the state. Barring the Bapu Bhawan centre, it was held peacefully at all other locations. A video captured students snatching and tearing question papers and OMR sheets from their peers, alleging question paper leak. Some were seen rushing into a room where exam officials were addressing others who were frustrated by a delay of 40-45 minutes in the start time.

B'desh election in 2025-end or early '26: Yunus

Claims restoring democratic institutions is necessary for calling general elections

DHAKA

BANGLADESH's interim leader Muhammad Yunus said on Monday that general elections would be held late next year or in early 2026. Pressure has been growing on Yunus to set a date. The 84-year-old microfinance pioneer is leading a temporary administration to tackle what he has called the "extremely tough" challenge of restoring democratic institutions in the country. "Election dates could be fixed by the end of 2025 or the first half of 2026," he said in a broadcast on state television.

Yunus has launched commissions to oversee a raft of reforms he says are needed, and setting an election date depends on what political parties agree.

"Throughout, I have emphasised that reforms should take place first before the arrangements for an election," he said. "If the political parties agree to hold the election on an earlier date with minimum reforms, such as having a flawless voter list, the election could be held... by the end of 2025," he added.

But including the full list of electoral reforms would delay polls by a few months, he said.

Key among the reforms needed is an updated voter list, a "complex" challenge after years of turbulent democratic processes, requiring both the stripping of false names from lists, alongside registering first time voters in a rapidly growing youth population, he said.

Yunus said he dreamed of "ensuring 100% voter turnout" in polls. "If this can be achieved, no government will ever dare to strip citizens of their voting rights again," he said.

Bangladesh last held general elections in January when Hasina celebrated victory – in a poll denounced as neither free nor fair and boycotted by rivals after a crackdown during which thousands of opposition party members were arrested.

Former opposition groups, such as the Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP), are now rebuilding after years of repression under Hasina. Yunus has said his administration is also focused on ensuring those guilty of abuses during the past government face justice, including issuing a warrant for Hasina's arrest. Hasina, 77, fled by helicopter to neighbouring India on August 5 as thousands of protesters stormed the prime minister's palace in Dhaka. *AFP*

MUJIB IGNORED IN VICTORY DAY EVENT

Dhaka: Yunus on Monday led Bangladesh in marking its 54th Victory Day. However his speech made no mention of founding leader Mujibur Rahman while calling his daughter Sheikh Hasina's administration the 'world's worst autocratic government'. 'Bijoy Dibosh' commemorates the Pakistan military's surrender to Indian forces and the liberation of Bangladesh in 1971. 'Bangabandhu' Mujibur Rahman is seen as the independence movement's iconic figure. The authorities earlier announced to phase out the currency notes currently in circulation. The new ones will not carry his image. *PTI*

Gaza hostage deal closer than ever: def minister

JERUSALEM

People inspect the damage following Israeli strikes on the UNRWA-run school housing displaced families in Khan Younis in the Gaza Strip on Monday | AFP

DEFENCE Minister Israel Katz reportedly told Knesset lawmakers on Monday that Israel is "closer than ever" to closing a deal with Hamas to free the hostages held in Gaza, bolstering Arab media reports of heavy optimism on the chances for an agreement in the coming weeks, *The Times of Israel* reported.

Katz's comments to the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defense Committee were made behind closed doors but leaks of his remarks were reported widely in the Hebrew press.

"Israel is closer than ever to another hostage deal," Katz was quoted as saying. He added that the less said the better, echoing comments made by Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu on Sunday after he discussed with US President-elect Donald Trump the ongoing efforts to free the abductees being held by Hamas in Gaza.

"We are working all the time, without rest, to bring our hostages home," Netanyahu said in a statement after the call, giving scant details: "The less we talk about it, the better — that way, with God's help, we will succeed." Katz also predicted that the deal on the table would be backed by most of the coalition and should not face internal obstacles, according to the Walla news site. He seemingly indicated that the deal would not include an open-ended halt to hostilities, a measure sought by Hamas but opposed by many in Netanyahu's hard-right coalition.

"There's flexibility on the other side. They understand we're not going to end the war," he was quoted as saying, in the latest indication that the sides may be moving closer toward a deal to free the hostages kidnapped during Hamas's October 7, 2023, massacre and stop the fighting.

For now, however, talks are hung up over the number of living hostages to be released in a partial deal, according to reports. Hamas insists on releasing far fewer than Israel demands, and Israel is not willing to budge, the reports said.

In a separate report, meanwhile, the Saudi Asharq News outlet quoted an unnamed Hamas leader as saying that the sides were "closer than ever" to reaching a deal — "if Netanyahu doesn't obstruct it."

The source claimed that the terror group had submitted a proposal showing "great flexibility," which stipulates a "gradual end to the war and a gradual withdrawal of Israeli forces according to an agreed-upon timetable, and guarantees from ... mediators."

WAR WATCH

ISRAEL-GAZA: DAY 437

TOLL SO FAR

46,880

Japan bank staff steals $6.6 mn from safe deposit boxes

TOKYO

JAPAN's biggest bank apologised on Monday for the alleged theft by an employee of more than 1 billion yen ($6.6 million) from customers' safe deposit boxes.

The bank, formally known as Mitsubishi UFJ Financial Group, Inc, said that it was investigating and that verified thefts from about 20 of the 60 clients thought to have been affected amounted to 300 million yen (nearly $2 million). Compensation was being worked out, it said.

The thefts occurred at two Tokyo branches of the bank, from April 2020 until the end of October this year, when the problem was discovered.

MUFG's president and CEO Junichi Hanzawa told reporters the female employee responsible for managing the safe deposit boxes and their keys is suspected of taking advantage of that position to steal cash and other valuables. *AP*

Was evacuated by Russian military, claims Assad

DAMASCUS

OUSTED Syrian leader Bashar Assad said he had no plans to leave the country after the fall of Damascus a week ago but the Russian military evacuated him after their base in western Syria came under attack.

Assad said on his Facebook page that he left Damascus on the morning of Dec 8, hours after insurgents stormed the capital. He said he left in coordination with Russian allies to the Russian base in the coastal province of Latakia, where he planned to keep fighting.

"At no point during these events did I consider stepping down or seeking refuge nor was such proposal made by any individual or party," Assad said. "The only course of action was to continue fighting against the terrorist onslaught."

Meanwhile in Syria, a rebel force deployed to a village in southeastern Damascus to stop looters who swarmed a residential complex and set some apartments on fire.

The rebel fighters have prioritised security in Damascus, where there was limited looting of private properties and attacks on security and government buildings.

On Sunday, a rebel force arrived at the village of Husseiniyeh after looters, including women and children, emptied a residential complex, walking away with furniture, windows, food, copper wires and anything they can get.

The rebels opened fire, shooting at the wheels of looters' cars and next to the crowd to disperse it. No injuries were reported. They also called on looters still inside the buildings to hand themselves in. *AP*

PUBLIC NOTICE

The general public are hereby notified that my client intends to purchase a All that piece and parcel of the Immovable 19, old CMC Katha No.25, Presently coming within the jurisdiction of BBMP "E" PID No.6177577754, Situated at 3rd Main Road, Astalakshmi Layout, 6th Phase J.P. Nagar, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru South District, Bengaluru 560078, which is more fully described in the Schedule hereunder and hereinafter referred to as the Schedule Property, from B.N.Kamala @ B.N. Kamalamma, hereinafter referred to as Vendor.

Any person or persons asserting any right, title and interest or claim of whatsoever nature over the Schedule Property or any part thereof or objecting to the said sale in favour of my client, should write to the undersigned notifying their nature of right over the Schedule Property or any part thereof or their objections for sale of the Schedule Property by the aforesaid Vendors in favour of my client with necessary documentary proof to substantiate their right or objections, within seven days from today. In case no such objection are received within the said period, my client shall proceed to complete the said sale transaction, as if nobody has any objection for purchase of the Schedule Property by my client.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the Immovable Property bearing No. 19, (old CMC Katha No.25), Ward No.186, vide "E"PID No.6177577754, Situated at 3rd Main Road, Astalakshmi Layout, 6th Phase J.P. Nagar, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru South District, Bengaluru 560078, Bangalore, Presently coming within the jurisdiction of BBMP, measuring East to West 30 ft, and North to South 20 ft. and bounded on: East by : Private Property; West by: Road; North by: Property bearing No.20; South by: Property bearing No.18.

M.GOPALA, Advocate,
No.216, Maruthi Nilaya, 1st Floor, 4th Cross, Cubbonpete, Bangalore-560002, Ph.9620331617
Date: 17.12.2024

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Bharat Electronic Employees Co-Operative House Building Society Ltd office at 1st Floor, BE Co-Operative Society Limited, Jalahalli Post, Bangalore-560013, has called for public auction for sale of the Converted portion of marginal land bearing **Survey No.178**, Measuring **22.56 Guntas (24567.84 Sq.ft)**, Situated at **Herohalli Village**, Yashwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, a layout formed and developed by Bharat Electronic Employees Co-Operative House Building Society Ltd, BEL 2nd Stage, Bharath Nagar, Bangalore, presently Comes under the administrative ambit of BBMP, Ward No.72 of Herohalli Ward, Bangalore and Bounded on : **East by :: Road, West by :: Road and Kodigehalli Boundary, North by :: Road, South by :: Road** and published the same in Business Standard and Udaya Kala newspaper dated:21-10-2024 and dated:04-11-2024. My client **Sri.JAYANNA. M.M** S/o Mallappa herein participated in the auction dated:22-11-2024 conducted by the Bharat Electronic Employees Co-Operative House Building Society Ltd and my client was Bid highest Rate, my client was deposit Rs.10,00,000/- and the My client is declared as successful bidders. The said Society has issued an Auction Property Provisional Allotment Letter on 22.11.2024 vide REF.No.BEECHBS/ M975/2024-25 in favour my client. In pursuance of the issuance of Auction Property Provisional Allotment Letter and my client intending to purchase said property from Bharat Electronic Employees Co-Operative House Building Society Ltd.

If anybody is having any objection, claim, interest, dispute for the above intended sale transaction, he/she/they may contact the Undersigned with the Documentary proof substantiating his/her/their objections/ claims/details of dispute/s **with in Seven (7) days** from the date of this publication, failing which, my client will proceed to complete the sale transaction with the above said society as if there are no third party claims/ objections/disputes in respect of the above said property and thereafter no claims/ objections/ disputes will be entertained.

KRISHNA, Advocate
SRI SAILAKSHMI ASSOCIATES
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LOST

I, **Lakshmi C.A.**, W/o. Ganesh Kumar V.R., Aged about 45 years, Residing at No. 16A, 4th Cross, 2nd Main, Behind Renukamba Temple, Doddabommasandra, Bangalore North, Bangalore - 560 097, I hereby submit that, my Daughter i.e., **Gunashree V.G.**, Aged about 16 years, studying at Class 11th, in Akash International School, now she is studying under boarding. When such being the case she was shifting from above said address to college boarding without her knowledge **she has lost her S.S.L.C. Marks Card, Candidate ID: 8330411, for the year 2023-2024,** and studied in The Regency Public School, Bangalore, And the same is very much necessary to her further studies.

IN THE COURT OF THE PRINCIPAL CIVIL JUDGE AND JMFC AT DODDABALLAPURA
C.Mis. No. 865/2024

Petitioner: Smt. Kumaramma, D/o Late Patel Ramaiah, W/o Muniyappa, aged about 58 years, R/at Varadanahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Doddaballapura Taluk, -V/s-
Respondent: Registrar of Birth and death The Commissioner, Bashettihalli, Town Panchayath, Doddaballapura Taluk

PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas the Petitioner has filed the above petition under Section 13 (3) And 14 of Registration of Births And Deaths Act, 1969 for seeking the death certificate of his father by name **LATE PATEL RAMAIAH @ RAMANNA** S/O LATE. DODDAMUNINANJAPPA who died on 02.05.2015 at Ellupura Village, Kasaba Hobli, Doddaballapura Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District.

In this regard it is hereby notice that whoever has interested in the said matter may appear in person or through an advocate duly authorized before the above said court on **13-01-2025** at **11-00 AM.** In default this matter will be heard and disposed off an ex-parte

Given under my hand and seal of the court on this 13-12-2024
By order of the Court, Chief Ministerial Officer, Prl. Civil Judge & JMFC, Doddaballapura

Anjanegowda .V. Advocate
No.1, 1st Floor, Government Employees Association Building, Next PLD Bank, Near Talk Office Circle, Doddaballapur Town.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Advocate submits on behalf of his client **SARBANI BANERJEE**, W/o Late. Dilip Kumar Banerjee, Aged about 67 years, Residing at R/at Flat No. B-205 2 Floor, Gardenia Jasminoides Apartment 2nd Cross, Laxmaiah Layout, Horamavu Agara, Bengaluru North, Bengaluru-560043, and others have filed the petition for death certificate of **DILIP KUMAR BANERJEE, S/O Late. HOREN LALL BANERJEE, as he was died on 18/07/2022 at No. B-205, 2nd Floor, Gardenia Jasminoides Apartment, 2nd Cross, Laxmaiah Layout, Horamavu Agara, Bengaluru North, Bengaluru-560043.** in Crl.Misc.No. **10901/2024** for Documentation purpose. If any parties have objections may raise dispute or appear before Hon'ble **40th** A.C.J.M, BENGALURU on 21.12.2024 at about 11.00 A.M.

BY ORDER OF THE COURT Sd/- SHERISTEDAR, COURT OF THE 40th A.C.J.M BENGALURU
VANISHREE PATIL, ADVOCATE

IN THE COURT OF THE PRINCIPAL CIVIL JUDGE AND JMFC AT DODDABALLAPURA
C.Mis. No. 864/2024

Petitioner: Smt. Kumaramma, D/o Late Patel Ramaiah, W/o Muniyappa, aged about 58 years, R/at Varadanahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Doddaballapura Taluk, -V/s-
Respondent: Registrar of Birth and death The Commissioner, Bashettihalli, Town Panchayath, Doddaballapura Taluk

PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas the Petitioner has filed the above petition under Section 13 (3) And 14 of Registration of Births And Deaths Act, 1969 for seeking the death certificate of his mother by name **LATE NARASAMMA** W/O LATE PATEL RAMAIAH @ RAMANNA who died on 11.04.2019 at Ellupura Village, Kasaba Hobli, Doddaballapura Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District.

In this regard it is hereby notice that whoever has interested in the said matter may appear in person or through an advocate duly authorized before the above said court on **13-01-2025** at **11-00 AM.** In default this matter will be heard and disposed off an ex-parte

Given under my hand and seal of the court on this 13-12-2024
By order of the Court, Chief Ministerial Officer, Prl. Civil Judge & JMFC, Doddaballapura

Anjanegowda .V. Advocate
No.1, 1st Floor, Government Employees Association Building, Next PLD Bank, Near Talk Office Circle, Doddaballapur Town.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Our Client intends to take on lease the property detailed in the Schedule below ("Schedule Property"), from its owner, **Mr. Padmanabha Reddy, s/o Narayana Reddy.** Any person/s having any manner of right, title, claim, tenancy, mortgage, charge, lien or any other interest of whatsoever nature in respect of the Schedule Property, may file their objections, with documentary proof, to the undersigned, within 14 (fourteen) days from the date of publication of this notice.

If no objections are received within the said period, it shall be deemed that none else have any right, title, claim, tenancy, mortgage, charge, lien or any other interest of whatsoever nature in respect of the Schedule Property, and our Client will proceed to complete the proposed leasing transaction proceeding on the basis that the abovementioned person is the sole and absolute owner of the Schedule Property.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the residentially converted land measuring 2 acres and 21 ½ guntas in Sy.No.17/2 (old No.Sy.No.17) and bearing BBMP Khata No.62/62, situated at Kyalasanahalli Village, K.R. Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore District, converted from agricultural to residential purposes vide Official Memorandum bearing No. ALN/SR/65/2013-14 dated 12.08.2015, and bounded as follows:

East by : Land in Survey No. 17/1,
West by : Land in Survey No. 18,
North by : Survey No. 16, and
South by : Road.

I.S. Devaiah, Partner,
MD&T Partners
No. 80, 1st Floor, 6th Main, 16th Cross, Gayatri Devi Park, Vyalikaval Extension, Bengaluru-560 003
Tel: +91 80 2346 6529

PUBLIC NOTICE

MY CLIENT INTENDS TO PURCHASE THE SCHEDULE PROPERTY FROM ITS OWNER **MRS.PRABHAVATHID**, D/O SRI. B.A.DASAPPA,AGED ABOUT 57 YEARS R/AT.NO.148. 20TH MAIN 3RD CROSS, BTM 1ST STAGE BOMMANAHALLI.BANGALORE-560068.AADHAAR NO.966341685418.

Any person/s or any organization or Financial Institute Asserting any rights, title, claim or charge in the schedule property ,having any claims against the property/or its owner/s to such sale in favour of my client should write to the undersigned within **5 DAYS FROM** issuing of this public Notice. With all documentary proof/s on which they are their rights over the schedule property or any part thereof after which period my client shall proceed on the basis that there is no claims of whatsoever nature with regards to schedule property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL OF PROPERTY BEARING OLD NO.66/1C. NEW MUNICIPAL **NO.32. BBMP KATHA 66.** SITUATED AT, OLD TAVARAKARE VILLAGE BEGUR HOBLI BANGALORE SOUTH TALUK **BBMP WARD NO.66.**AT PRESENT **"6TH' CROSS ROAD BALAJINAGAR, BBMP NEW WARD NO.152.** BANGALORE MEASURING EAST TO WEST 20+19/2 FEET, NORTH TO SOUTH 32 FEET, TOTALLY MEASURING 624 SQ. FEET, BOUNDED ON

EAST BY : PRIVATE PROPERTY [EARLIER PROPERTY BELONGING TO PUTTANANJA SHETTY]
WEST BY : REMAINING PORTION OF THE SAME PROPERTY.
NORTH BY : PRIVATE PROPERTY.
SOUTH BY : ROAD AT PRESENT 6TH CROSS ROAD.

S. RASHEED SAHEB, ADVOCATE
NO.42.6TH B CROSS BALAJINAGARA DRC POST BANGALORE-29.
(M) 09448569509, 9740893190.
mail ID;rasheed.sab12@gmail.com

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client **Mr.SAFEER AHMED KHAN**, son of Late Ahamadulla Khan, aged about 62 years, Residing at No.1332, 32 F Cross 26th Main Road Near Jayanagar General Hospital,Jaynagar 4th T Block BANGALORE–560 041 represents to me that the original documents relating to the schedule property, an Absolute Sale Deed Registered as Document No.**BNG(U)ANKL/1926/1998-99**, Book-I, dated 19-08-1998 Registered in the Office of the Sub-Registrar, Anekal, Bangalore has been lost/misplaced in the Office and in spite of my best efforts the same could not be found out. In this regard my client has lodged a Lost Article Report compliant in the jurisdictional police station on 10-12-2024 vide acknowledgement Lost Report No. **1376393/2024**. Any person/s having any objection/s, claims, share, maintenance, demand, interest, possession, authority whatsoever manner may claim their objections if any with documentary evidence within 7 (seven) days from the date of this public notice.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Dry Agricultural Land bearing Survey No.311 (old No.156/60) situated at HULIMANGALA VILLAGE, JIGANI HOBLI, ANEKAL TALUK measuring in all totally 1 (ONE) acre together with all rights, appurtenances, whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface and bounded on as follows: East by : Remaining Portion of the same Survey Number belongs to Vendor , West by : Gomala Land, North by : Govt Land , South by : Land of Muga Muniyappa

V.PADMANABHA NAIDU
V.P. BHARGAV, Advocates
No.127/34, 7th Cross, 4th Cross Wilson Gardens, Bangalore-50 027
Bangalore Dated 17-12-2024

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that we, Ramlal T Rawal, Smt. Holi Devi, Pravin Kumar Rawal, Smt. Chanchal Suresh Kumar Rawal, Natwarlal Rawal and Amrut Kumar Rawal, residing at No.22, Honnarappa Lane, Siddanna Lane Cross, Cubbonpet, Bangalore 560002, that Vikram R Rawal, the son of the first two parties and the brother of the other parties, is not living with us from the past 8 years. That we have severed all relations with Vikram R Rawal and have no relations with him whatsoever. That the said Vikram R Rawal has no share, claim or authority on any of the properties, moveable or immoveable belonging to any of us, the above named. That anyone dealing with Vikram R Rawal in any manner will be doing so on their own choice and we shall not be bound by any transactions done by any parties with Vikram R Rawal. Dated on this the 16th of December 2024 at Bangalore.

Ramlal T Rawal & others

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IN THE COURT OF THE XXX ADDL. CITY CIVIL & SESSIONS JUDGE (CCH-31) AT BENGALURU
O.S No: 5422/2015

BETWEEN:Sri Gowdaraju & Ors.
Since Dead by Lrs 1(a) to (c) ...PLAINTIFFS
Smt Kamala & Ors Aged about 45 years W/o Late Subramani D.N R/at No 355 Near Doddamma Temple Dasarahalli H.A Farm Post Bengaluru-560024
...PLANITIFF No: 2 (a)
AND: Sri Narayanappa & Ors. ...DEFENDANTS

NOTICE/SUMMONS TO THE PROPOSED DEFENDANT NO: 10 ON I A 1RULE 10 of cpc
By Way of Paper Publication.

To, Smt. Gowramma W/o Sri N Ramamurthy, Aged about 36 years, Residing at No 438, 4th Cross Dasarahalli Main Road Bhuvaneshwari Nagar H A Farm Post Bengaluru-560024
...Proposed Defendant No.10

Whereas, the Plantiff No 2 (a) to (C) (Smt Kamala, Sri Anil Kumar D.S & Sri Arun Kumar D.S) has filed an Application Under Order I Rule 10 (2) of CPC as against you in O.S No 5422/2015, which is pending before the Hon'ble XXX Addl City Civil & Sessions Judge (CCH-31) at, Bengaluru.

You are hereby summoned to appear before this Court on the **3rd day of January 2025 at 11 AM** in person or through advocate/pleader to answer questions to the same with the documents, failing which the application will be heard and decided in your absence.

Given under my hand & seal of the Court, this the 13th day of December 2024

By Order of the Court
Sd/- Senior Sheristedar
City Civil Court, Bangalore

ADVOCATE FOR PLAINTIFF NO.2(a) to 2(c)
LAWYERS INC
No.15/2, V.S. Raju road, 12th block, Kumar park Bengaluru-560020 08041553014

Can Fin Homes Ltd
JAYANAGAR BRANCH
"SAJINI", # 69 (Old No.35)
Ground Floor, 12th Main
Jayanagar 3rd Block, Bangalore-560011
Mob:7625079101, Ph: 080-26630501
E-mail Id: jayanagar@canfinhomes.com
CIN:L85110KA1987PLC008699

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES
[proviso to rule 8(6)]

E- Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

NOTICE is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Can Fin Homes Ltd., **Jayanagar Branch**, will be sold by holding e-auction on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on **21-01-2025** for recovery of **Rs.15,30,000/-**(Rupees Fifteen Lakhs Thiry Thousand Only) due to Can Fin Homes Ltd. from **Mr.Arun Kumar K. M.** (Borrower) **Jhonsi Sathya A** , (Co-Borrower) & (Guarantor) **Mr. Sharatha Ananth S** as on 16.12.2024 together with further interest and other charges thereon.

The reserve price will be **Rs.1,05,00,000/-**(Rupees One Crore Five Lakhs Only)and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs.10,50,000/-** (Rupees Ten Lakhs Fifty Thousand Only).

Description of the Immovable Property

All that Piece & Parcel of Property bearing residential New Municipal No.39 (Old No.10/92), ward No.54, PID No.54-267-39 under BBMP Limit, 3 Maia Road. Srinivasnagar, BSK 3rd Stage, Bangalore, measuring East to West 44 feet, North to South 24.6 feet, total measuring 1082.40 Sq. ft, and building thereon and bounded on the: East by : road , west by: site no.91, North by : site no 78, South by: Road.

Encumbrances : Nil

The detailed terms and conditions of the sale are provided in the official website of Can Fin Homes Ltd., (https://www.canfinhomes.com/SearchAuction.aspx). Link for participating in e-auction : https://sarfaesi.auctiontiger.net

Date: 16.12.2024
Place : Bengaluru
Sd/-
Authorised Officer
Can Fin Homes Ltd.

BEFORE THE HON'BLE II ADDITIONAL LABOUR COURT AT BANGALORE
REF.No. 23/2022

BETWEEN:SRI.M.B.DEVAIAH S/o. M.N.Boopaiah, Aged about 56 years,
Then residing at C/o Lakshmi Narayana, (Zilla Panchayat Member) Heggondanahalli, Gunjur Post, Tippasandra Road, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk Bengaluru Urban District, Bengaluru-560087.
Presently residing at No. 17, Anjaneya Temple Road, Opp. Greenwood School, Heggondanahalli, Gunjur, Bengaluru - 560087.
...FIRST PARTY
AND:SISA SECURITY GROUP PVT LTD.,
Office No.467, 1st Stage, 2nd Main, 3rd Block, HBR Layout, Near BDA Complex, Bengaluru 560043.
Having its Head office, Sisa Security Group Pvt Ltd., Sisa House, Shameer Complex, R.S.No.71, Navasarjan Society, Pandesara Udhana, Surat, Gujarat-394221. ...SECOND PARTY

PAPER PUBLICATION TO SECOND PARTY

WHEREAS, the above named First Party has filed the above claim petition seeking for service benefits namely DA, TA, and emoluments with P.F and ESI (which was deducted from his salary while in service rendered before Second Party) which he is legally entitled from the Second Party by the First Party from the date of his removal i.e., from 27.08.2018 till he secures his job as a Gunman from the Second Party company by paying the sum of Rs.35,000/- to 40,000/- per month without being transferred to any other place from Bengaluru for maintenance of his family members and grant such other relief/s by this Hon'ble authority.

Hence the Second Party ie., Sisa Security Group Pvt Ltd., is hereby directed to appear before this Hon'ble Authority either in person or through pleader on **28/01/2025 at 11:00 a.m.** failing which the case will be heard and determined in the absence of second party.

Given under my hand and the seal of the court this the 16th day of December 2024.

By Order of the Court
M.S. GAYATHRI DEVI
Senior Sheristedar
II Addl. Lebour Court, Bengaluru

Advocate for First Party M. Narayan Advocate
No.31, 5th Cross, 5th Main, Sampangiramanagar, Bengaluru 560027, Mob. No:9591250858.

IN THE COURT OF DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL- 1,
BSNL Building 4th Floor, Telephone House, Rajbhavan Road, Bengaluru- 560 001
O.A. No. 1332/2023

Between:HDFC Bank Limited. ...Applicant
And:
Phoenix Concrete & Another ...Defendants

To: **2. Sri K. Shankare Gowda,** S/o. Sri K. M. Krishnappa, , Aged about 48 years Koralur, Naduvati, Hoskote, Bangalore Rural, Bangalore - 560 067.

SUMMONS ISSUED TO DEFENDANT UNDER RULE 23(VIII) OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES 1993 BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION

WHEREAS, the Applicant has instituted an application Under Section 19, of the Recovery of Debts due to Banks and Financial Institutions act, 1993, against you for recovery of a sum of **Rs.1,22,18,344/-** (Rupees One Crore Twenty Two Lakhs Eighteen Thousand Three Hundred Forty Four Only) together with current and future interest, cost and other relief's.

The above mentioned Defendants are required to appear therefore hereby directed to appear before the Tribunal in person or through an Advocate or duly instructed in support of their defence to show cause on **08/01/2025 at 10:30 a.m.** as to why the relief's prayed for should not be granted.

Take notice that in case of default, the application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of the Tribunal this the **25.11. 2024.**

By Order of the Tribunal
Sd/- Registrar
Debts Recovery Tribunal - I Bangalore

IN THE COURT OF THE HON'BLE CITY CIVIL COURT AND SESSIONS JUDGE AT BENGALURU (CCH- 86)
Com O.S No. 1115/2024

BETWEEN:
CANARA BANK
BWSSB Branch,
No. 10, Rajdooth Complex,
1st Floor, Mysore Bank Circle,
Bangalore-560002
represented by its Manager
Mr. Ravindra Mehta
AND ....PLAINTIFF

Mrs. Swapna R ....DEFENDANT

SUMMONS TO THE DEFENDANT UNDER ORDER 5 RULE 20(1) OF CIVIL PROCEDURE CODE, 1908

Mrs. Swapna R D/o D L Ramegowda,
Aged about 43 years
No 145, 5th Cross, 3rd block, Nandini Layout, Bangalore 560 096.
M.No: 8711985288, 8147712218
Also at:
Mrs. Swapna R D/o D L Ramegowda
Aged about 43 years
No. 96, 1st Cross, 1st Main, Kanteerava Nagara, Nandini Layout, Bangalore – 560 096.
M.No: 9342244093, 8147712218

Whereas the plaintiff instituted a suit against you for recovery of **Rs. 3,65,974.77/-(Rupees Three Lakh Sixty Five Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy Four and Paisa Seventy Seven only)** as on **31.05.2024** along with current and further interest @ 11.25 as per the Para.4 on monthly compound interest rest basis and a penal interest @ of 2% p.a., from **31.05.2024** to till date of realization.

You are hereby summoned to appear before this Hon'ble Court on **20.01.2025** at 11.00 AM in person or through the Advocate/pleader to answer the question to the same. Failing which the suit will be heard and determined as ex-parte.

Given under my hand and seal of the court, this **5th day of December 2024.**

By the Order of the Court
Sd/- The Senior Sheristedar
City Civil Court, Bengaluru.

Advocate for Plaintiff
No.29, 3rd Cross, Vinayaka Layout, Bhoopasandra, Bangalore - 560 094.

BEFORE THE HON'BLE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL -II KARNATAKA AT BENGULURU,
BSNL Building, 4th Floor, Telephone House, Rajabhavana Road, Bengaluru-560001
O.A.No: 148 Of 2022

M/S. PUNJAB NATIONAL BANK
Stressed Assets Management Branch
1 Floor, Raheja Towers, M.G. Road
Bengaluru-560001 ...APPLICANT
V/s
M/S. SUNRISE INFO SERVICES & Ors ...DEFENDANTS

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANTS. No. 1 to 3 BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION ISSUED UNDER RULE-23 (VIII) OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES 1993

DEFENDANT NO.1;
M/S. SUNRISE INFO SERVICES, No. 20/1, 2nd floor, Ganigara 'C' Lane, Maldarpet Nagar Pet, Bangalore-560002.
Also at: No. 10, 3 Floor, Sudharshan Mansion, Sunkalpet Main Road, Near Old Taluk Cuthchery Road, Nagarathpete, Bengaluru, Karnataka-560002.
DEFENDANT NO.2:
Mr. Arjun Kumar Purohit
DEFENDANT NO.3:
Mr. Kalaram Purohit, Both the Defendants No. 2 and No. 3 are residing at the following one **address:** No. 20/1, 2nd Floor, Ganigara 'C' Lane, Maldarpet Nagar Pet, Bangalore-560002.

WHEREAS the above named Applicant has instituted the application U/S 19 of the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks & Financial Institutions Act, 1993, against the defendants for recovery of a sum of **Rs.1,40,22,976.43/- (Rupees One Crore Forty Lakhs Twenty Two Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy Six and Paise Forty Three only) as on 30.09.2021** together with further cost and interest. You are hereby required to show cause within 30 days of the service of the summons or **on 17th day of January 2025 at 10:30 a.m.** as to why the relief prayed for should not be granted. Take Notice that, in case of default the application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and this Hon'ble Tribunal on this the **3rd day of December 2024 at Bangalore.**

Deputy Recovery Tribunal-II for Karnataka, at Bangalore

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Rajasthan Urban Drinking Water Sewerage and Infrastructure Corporation Ltd.
(A Government of Rajasthan Undertaking)
Old Working Women Hostel, Behind Nehru Place, LalKothi, Tonk Road, Jaipur-302015
Ph: 0141-2742240; E-mail: rudsico@rajasthan.gov.in, ruifdco@gmail.com;
Web: urban.rajasthan.gov.in/rudsico CIN:U74999RJ2004SGC019961

F18 (52) RUDSICO/AMRUT-2.0/2024-25/Tender/1602 Date: 16-12-2024

NIB No. 08/2024-25
Notice inviting online bids for CM Budget Ghoshna 2024-25 works

Rajasthan Urban Drinking Water Sewerage & infrastructure Corporation Limited (RUDSICO),a Government of Rajasthan undertaking, invites online unconditional bids on behalf of the Governor of Rajasthan through e-procurement portal http://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in from eligible bidders in accordance with the RTPP Act 2012 and RTPP Rules 2013, amended up to date, and under Open Competitive Bidding (OCB) National with single stage-two envelope Bidding procedure for following works:

S. No.	Name of Work	Project cost	Bid security	Period of completion
1	Storm Water Drainage in Mukundgarh (Dist. Jhunjhunu)	10.00	0.20	18 Months
2	Sewerage work in Sangod (Dist. Kota)	20.00	0.40	
3	Sewerage work in Behrore (Dist. Behrore - Kotputli)	25.00	0.50	
4	Sewerage work in Pokaran (Dist. Jaisalmer)	25.00	0.50	18 Months

The details of NIB can be seen at e-procurement portal of state government sppp.rajasthan.gov.in and eproc.rajasthan.gov.in from date 27.12.2024 at 1700 Hours till the end date of online submission of bids i.e. 30.01.2025 up to 1500 Hours. Any subsequent addendum/corrigendum shall be published only at the e-procurement portal. UBN No. RDP2425WLOB00148, 00149, 00150, 00151

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Executive Director

OFFICE OF THE ENGINEER-IN-CHIEF (CIVIL), ODISHA
NIRMAN SOUDHA, UNIT-V, BHUBANESWAR
E-mail ID: cebuildings_orissa@yahoo.co.in, cebuildings@rediffmail.com, Tel.- (0674) - 2391523
INVITATIONS FOR BIDS (IFB)

File No. B-IV-H-(H&D)-21/2024 Lr. No. 48766 Bhubaneswar, the 16th Dec.,2024
B-767
Invitation for Bids
Bid Identification No. C.E. (B) - 24/2024-25

1.	The Chief Engineer, Buildings-I (I/C), Odisha, Bhubaneswar, on behalf of Governor of Odisha, invites percentage rate bids in double cover system in ONLINE MODE form eligible contractors for Building work as mentioned below:.		
2.	Nature of work	:	Building works
3.	No. of work	:	07 Nos.
4.	Bid Cost.	:	₹ 10,000/- (each)
5.	Class of Contractor	:	'A' / Special Class
6.	Availability of Bid Documents in the website	:	From dt.23.12.2024 to 17.00 Hours of dt.07.01 .2025.
7.	Date of Opening of Bid	:	Dt.08.01.2025 at 11:30 AM.
8.	The Bidders have to participate in ONLINE bidding only. Further details can be seen from the website: https://tendersodisha.gov.in. Any addendum / corrigendum / cancellation of tender can also be seen in the said website only.		

Sd/- Chief Engineer, Building-I(I/C), Odisha, Bhubaneswar
OIPR- 34117/11/0048/2425

Market Watch

MARKET			GOLD		SILVER		FOREX	
384.55 ▼ Sensex	81,748.57		24 carat (10 gm)	₹78,040	1 kg	₹92,500	Dollar	84.87
100.05 ▼ Nifty	24,668.25		22 carat (10 gm)	₹71,550	10 gm	₹925	Euro	89.13

LG eyes $15 billion listing valuation for Indian arm

Post-public offer, promoter's shareholding will come down by 15%

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

SOUTH KOREA'S LG South Korea's LG Electronics is reportedly planning to list its Indian subsidiary - LG Electronics India Ltd - on the domestic bourses at a hefty valuation of up to $15 billion. The company, which is planning to launch a mega IPO in the first of the calendar year 2025, was earlier targeting a valuation of $13 billion.

Both valuations are higher than LG's market capitalization on the South Korean exchanges. LG's shares have fallen about 13% this year in Seoul and the company commands a market value of $10 billion.

A report by Bloomberg said that LG has been sounding out preliminary interest from potential investors and that deliberations are ongoing and details could change. LG may ultimately seek a slightly lower valuation for the business based on final demand, the report citing sources said.

A senior analyst at a brokerage firm said that MNCs should not get too ambitious on the valuation front and leave room for investors. "Seeking a larger valuation for a subsidiary than the parent company gives out the wrong signal to investors," the analyst said requesting anonymity.

LG Electronics India recently filed draft papers with the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) to launch an initial public offering (IPO). If successful, LG would become the second major Korean brand, after Hyundai, to list its local subsidiary on Indian stock exchanges.

Similar to Hyundai, LG's IPO size is expected to be substantial. Reports indicate that the issue size could be approximately $1.8 billion (over Rs 15,000 crore). The public issue is going to be an offer for sale (OFS) only and involves the sale of 10.18 crore equity shares by the promoter, LG Electronics Inc. As per the draft red herring prospectus (DRHP), the promoter will sell 10,18,15,859 equity shares of face value ₹10 each through the OFS.

Post-IPO, the promoter's shareholding will come down by 15%, leaving LG Electronics Inc. with 57.69 crore shares in the Indian subsidiary.

In the filing, LG Electronics India stated that the listing aims to boost its visibility, enhance its brand image, and create liquidity for its shares in the public market.

LG Electronics India is a leading player in major home appliances and consumer electronics. The firm had reported a 12.35% rise in profit to ₹1,511.1 crore for FY24, and its revenue from operations grew 7.48% cent to ₹21,352 crore.

'Bitcoin profits even before VDA rules to be treated as capital gains'

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

IN a first of its kind legal dispute over taxation of bitcoins, the Jodhpur Income Tax Appellate Tribunal (ITAT) has ruled that gains for sale of bitcoins even before the introduction of virtual digital asset (VDA) regime in 20202 should be treated as capital gains for the purpose of taxation.

The ITAT order says that even though Bitcoin is intangible, it qualifies as a capital asset since it grants ownership rights and can be bought, sold, or transferred.

The Tribunal further clarified that the amendments made by the Finance Act, 2022, did not alter the fundamental nature of VDAs as assets. Thus, even before the formal introduction of the VDA regime, Bitcoin could be classified as a capital asset.

In its ruling, the ITAT invoked the principle of interpreting tax laws in a manner favorable to taxpayers.

"This ruling has significant implications for the treatment of cryptocurrency transactions under Indian tax law. It not only recognizes Bitcoin as a capital asset but also provides clarity on how such transactions should be treated for the period before the introduction of the formal VDA regime in 2022," said Sandeep Jhunjhunwala, M&A Tax Partner at Nangia Andersen.

Vedanta's dividend to make promoters richer by ₹1.9k cr

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

METAL and mining giant Vedanta Ltd has declared an interim dividend of ₹8.5 per share. This is the fourth time in the financial year 2024-25 that Vedanta has declared an interim dividend. Promoters, led by billionaire Anil Agarwal, will get ₹1,874 crore for the fresh payout.

"...we wish to inform you that the Board of Directors of Vedanta Limited (the "Company"), at its meeting held today i.e. Monday, December 16, 2024, has considered and approved the Fourth Interim Dividend of ₹8.5/- per equity share on face value of ₹1/- per equity share for the Financial Year 2024-25 amounting to ₹3,324 Crores," said Vedanta in a regulatory filing.

The record date for payment of dividend is December 24, 2024, and the interim dividend will be duly paid within the stipulated timelines, added Vedanta. So far this financial year, Vedanta's total dividend payout stands at ₹16,799 crore.

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The firm had paid ₹29.5 per share as a dividend in FY24 and ₹101.5 per share payout in FY2023. As promoters have a 56.38% stake in the company as of September 2024, they will receive a total payout of ₹1,874 crore from the fourth dividend.

Vedanta has a history of rewarding shareholders with high dividends. Experts said that this helps the company attract investors looking for consistent income and enhances stock performance. Shares of Vedanta are up over 100% so far in 2024.

The payout also helps Vedanta's parent company, Vedanta Resources, to meet its significant debt obligations. The interim dividends are often used by the promoter group to service this debt, as dividends flow up the chain.

Vedanta had reported a ₹4,352 crore net profit for the quarter ended September and the company's second-quarter net debt was lower by ₹4,400 crore quarter-on-quarter to ₹56,927 crore.

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Pvt sector output index rises to 4-mnth high

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Mumbai

PRIVATE sector output grew at the fastest pace in four months, helping the economy end 2024 on a positive note boosted by strong demand from services and manufacturing sectors leading to record jobs creation. As per a private survey, the flash PMI rose to 60.7 in December, which matches the reading in August after falling to 58.6 in November.

The good news is a relief for the economy which had slumped to a seven-quarter low of 5.4% in the September quarter. The falling inflation is expected to spur demand among private sector companies. As per the December flash composite purchasing managers' index (PMI), compiled by S&P Global for British lender HSBC, rose to 60.7 in December, after dropping to 58.6 last month. A reading over 50 separates growth from contraction. The index has been above 60 in all but three months of this year, something not seen since 2008 when the global financial crisis hit.

"The small rise in headline manufacturing PMI in December is driven by gains in production, new orders and employment," said Ines Lam, an economist at HSBC. "The expansion in new domestic orders quickened, suggesting a pick-up in growth momentum." A stronger rise in demand was reflected in PMI for dominant services sector which constitutes about 60% of the GDP and rose to a four-month high of 60.8 from 58.4 in November, while the index for manufacturing was 57.4, up from 56.5 last month.

Services providers led the rise in sales with the new business sub-index touching the highest since January. Improving global demand for goods and services boosted sales with the former recording a faster increase than the latter. The final month reading has improved business outlook for 2025 and optimism rising to its highest since September 2023, prompting companies to ramp up hiring at the fastest pace since the survey began in late 2005.

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Shares of Dixon rise 5% a day after joint venture announcement with Vivo

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

A day after announcing a joint venture with Chinese mobile maker Vivo on Sunday, the shares of contract manufacturer Dixon Technologies jumped 5% to a day's high of ₹18,321.15. The Noida-based contract manufacturer, Dixon, along with Vivo, will manufacture mobile phones for Vivo and other companies. Currently, Dixon manufactures phones for Samsung, Xiaomi, Motorola, Oppo, Transsion, Google, and Nothing.

In an exchange filing, Dixon said it has signed a binding term sheet, under which Dixon will hold 51% of share capital, while Vivo India will have a 49% share. The companies have not revealed any financial details of the agreement. This is Dixon's second partnership with a Chinese mobile maker. Earlier this year, it acquired a majority stake in Ismartu India, the manufacturing unit of Chinese brand Transsion Holdings, by purchasing a 50.10% stake for ₹238.36 crore in cash.

Vivo operates a 170-acre manufacturing facility in Greater Noida, with an investment of ₹3,000 crore. The facility has an annual capacity to produce 120 million smartphones. Lately, the Indian government has eased visa norms for Chinese techno workers. The government has asked Chinese smartphone brands to induct Indian equity partners in their local operations and appoint Indian executives in key roles. Earleir major chinese mobile maker charged with non-compliance of Indian laws, evading taxes, and foreign exchange violations.

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LTIMindtree cyber defence centre in B'luru

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Bengaluru

LTIMindtree, the country's sixth largest IT services company, on Monday announced the launch of the 100-seater AI-driven Cyber Defense Resiliency Center (CDRC) in Bengaluru.

The new centre will offer cyber threat intelligence and incident response services to the company's clients. The CDRC will provide predictive analytics and predict possible dangers, leveraging natural language processing and interpreting data from various sources to identify threats, LTIMindtree said, adding that this in turn will help clients reduce risks, improve efficiency and focus on their core business.

This centre will act as a Center of Excellence (COE) for global network of cybersecurity specialists focused on cyber operations. The firm has helped clients in over 30 countries build custom security road maps. A report by USAID (US Agency for International Development) said cybercrime is expected to grow over the years globally, with projections as high as $23.84 trillion by 2027. India experienced 600 cases of cyberattacks in the first half of 2024, with the education, government and technology sectors emerging as primary targets.

New Relic aims to further scale up India operations; investing heavily in the country

UMA KANNAN @ Bengaluru

US-based New Relic, which is in intelligent observability platform space, is investing heavily in India. It recently opened a 500+seat office in Hyderabad. Last month, the company opened a 300+ seat office in Bengaluru. The company's CEO Ashan Willy, who was in Bengaluru recently, told TNIE that the company has increased its headcount by 10x in Bengaluru.

"We target the Indian market because there's a lot of digital natives in India, and traditional brick and mortar, who are using New Relic," he said, adding India is the important market for the firm and that there is a lot of talent here. "We've seen incredible traction in the breadth and depth of customers that we have acquired since we officially launched our Indian business in 2020 and that is only continuing to grow," he said. The CEO believes that India will export the world's software in the next 20 years.

"Development is happening here. If you look at all the major companies in the world, they all have a GCC (global capability centre) in India. We aim to further scale our India operations and increase the number of strategic partnerships we have. Our growing Hyderabad and Bengaluru offices will focus on increasing our local talent base and servicing global customers," he said.

Talking about the partnership with T-Hub, he said there's an opportunity for the company to provide a lot of these young start-ups with observability capabilities. "Through this partnership we will provide support to the local startup ecosystem through dedicated events, community mentorship opportunities, and discounted rates for our Intelligent Observability Platform through the New Relic for Startups program," the CEO said.

EXPRESS READ

Rupee falls 11 paise to all-time low of 84.91/$

New Delhi: Rupee depreciated by 11 paise to close at an all-time low level of 84.91 against the US dollar on Monday, dragged down by a negative trend in domestic equities. Forex traders said the Indian rupee declined on weak domestic markets and rising US bond yields. However, a soft American currency cushioned the downside. *ENS*

Meity invites bids to develop AI ecosystem

New Delhi: IT ministry has invited proposals from entities for development of tech tools to create a trusted AI ecosystem, including detection of deepfakes, as per information on Meity's website. The safe and trusted AI pillar envisages development of indigenous tools and frameworks and self-assessment checklists for innovators, among others. *ENS*

European agency endorses approval of Biocon Biologics' biosimilar Ustekinumab

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Bengaluru

BIOCON BIOLOGICS, a biosimilars company and subsidiary of Biocon, has announced that the European Medicines Agency's Committee for Medicinal Products for Human Use (CHMP) has issued a positive opinion recommending approval of YESINTEK, an Ustekinumab biosimilar intended for the treatment of adults and children with plaque psoriasis and adults with psoriatic arthritis or Crohn's disease.

It said clinical studies showed the Ustekinumab biosimilar has a similar pharmacokinetic, safety, efficacy and immunogenicity profile compared with the originator product.

This follows the recent approval by the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) earlier this month. It has approved YESINTEK, a monoclonal antibody, which is approved for the treatment of Crohn's disease, Ulcerative Colitis, Plaque Psoriasis and Psoriatic Arthritis. The company spokesperson said the detailed recommendations for the use of YESINTEK will be described in the summary of product characteristics (SmPC), which will be published in the European public assessment report (EPAR).

AVIATION

Vlogger shares dismal business class experience on Air India international flight

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

AS the Tata Group-run Air India strives to establish itself as a premier global airline, recurring complaints from passengers — especially business class travelers on international routes—continue to cast a shadow over its ambitions.

Renowned travel vlogger Drew Binsky recently took to social media to share his dismal experience on a flight from London to Amritsar, calling it the "worst business class experience" of his life. Having paid $750 to upgrade, Binsky described a series of shocking service failures in a YouTube video posted on December 14.

As per Binsky, the business class seat was broken and wouldn't recline, forcing him to eat his meal on a pillow "covered with human hair". He also pointed out the filthy surroundings, outdated entertainment screens that seemed straight out of 1985, and an amenities kit that he likened to something from a "one-star motel."

Despite the promise of in-flight Wi-Fi, Binsky said it didn't work. "I'll be sure never to fly Air India again, and I recommend you all to stay away," said the American vlogger, who has traveled to 197 countries and boasts nearly 4.9 million YouTube subscribers.

Binsky's account is the latest in a string of complaints about Air India's service standards. In September, Anip Patel, CEO of CaPatel Investments, described his experience on Air India's business class as a "nightmare." Patel, who paid $6,300 for a first-class ticket on a non-stop flight from New Delhi to Chicago, called it the "worst first-class cabin" he had ever flown in.

Months earlier, another passenger, Vineeth K., shared photos of worn-out seats with dirty covers while flying business class from Delhi to Newark.

While Air India is yet to issue any statement on Binsky's allegations, the airline's representatives in the past have said that they want to make Air India a world class airline with an Indian heart.

Air India on Monday said that will deploy their best aircraft to key gateways in Southeast Asia and Europe, complementing the deployment of its flagship A350 and B777 with upgraded cabin interiors on multiple US and UK routes earlier.

'Meal fell on business class seat as it was broken'

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FIFA apologises to Ukrainian federation for map error

FIFA apologised to the Ukrainian soccer federation for displaying a map during its World Cup qualifying draw that excluded Russia-occupied Crimea from the country's territory. "We fully understand the delicate sensitivity of this matter and while the incident was unintentional, we sincerely regret any concern it may have cause," FIFA's Elkhan Mammadov, wrote in a letter published Sunday by the Ukrainian soccer body.

We're basically two dead people playing chess, mistakes happen: Gukesh

ASHOK VENUGOPAL @Chennai

THE king had arrived home and that led to a frenzy as everybody, who were eagerly awaiting his arrival, wanted a piece of him.

D Gukesh, the newly-crowned world champion, was the most sought-after person on Monday. Having touched down at Chennai airport in the morning, the 18-year-old was mobbed soon after exiting the airport. Surrounded by security personnel and officials from Tamil Nadu government and the SDAT, Gukesh was handed a rousing welcome. Amidst the celebrations, Gukesh was his usual self, calm and collected, something that was evident throughout the title-winning World Championship match against Ding Liren in Singapore. He was quick to thank everyone for supporting him.

"Thank you for all the support. It means a lot to bring back the trophy to India," said an elated Gukesh upon landing in Chennai.

"It has always been like, you know (wanted), to become the best player in the world. And when I was a kid, being the world champion was a very important step towards the dream," said Gukesh at Velammal Nexus. And he is also quick to add that he still has a long way to go.

Hundreds of fans surround D Gukesh's car at the Chennai Airport | ASHWIN PRASATH

"But still it's clear that there are a lot of strong players and I still have a lot of improvement. And players like Magnus (Carlsen), they keep motivating me to work harder. And although this is a big achievement (World crown) and I know it comes at a very young age, I think that this is still a very, very long way to go. And my goal is to keep enjoying chess and to have a very long career and hopefully one day to become the best player," he said.

There were some critics who suggested that Ding underperformed deliberately. Gukesh has an interesting take on this subject.

"Anyone who understands high-level sports, it's clear that if you play 13 games at a high-level, in high-intensity, prepare for six months and if you come for the last game at a World Championship, you are pretty much dead at that point. We are basically two dead people playing chess and mistakes happen in those moments," he said.

Gukesh had also displayed his ability to handle setbacks during the World Championship, having lost the 12th game. "It was quite tough, but I was still confident that I could pull through," he recalled.

That was mainly due to solid preparation and support in the form of brilliant seconds. His seconds team comprised the likes of Grzegorz Gajewski (Poland), Pentala Harikrishna, Radoslaw Wojtaszek (Poland), Jan-Krzysztof Duda (Poland), Jan Klimkowski (Poland) and Vincent Keymer (Germany).

"Four Polish in the seconds team was mostly based on the fact that I was comfortable with the guys and Gajewski knew all the Polish players and he has a lot of experience with them. And as a head of the team, it made a lot of sense. Each second has their own specialty and we tried to take the maximum out of it," he added.

There are many who are hopeful of watching Gukesh take on Carlsen, who's considered to be the best in the sport. "He (Carlsen) is a good player and I hope to play against him soon," Gukesh signed off.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

TALE OF RAIN AND PAIN FOR INDIA'S TOP-ORDER

On a day that witnessed multiple delays due to weather, visitors lose four big wickets and now have an uphill task to save the match

Scoreboard

Australia 1st Innings (405/7 o/n): Carey c Gill b Akash Deep 70; Cummins c Pant b Siraj 20; Starc c Pant b Bumrah 18; Lyon b Siraj 2; Hazlewood n.o 0. **Extras:** (lb-17, w-13, nb-5) 35. **Total:** 445 in 117.1 ovs. **FoWs:** 31-1, 38-2, 75-3, 316-4, 326-5, 327-6, 385-7, 423-8, 445-9 **Bowling:** Bumrah 28-9-76-6, Siraj 23.2-5-97-2, Akash Deep 29.5-5-95-1, Nitish Reddy 13-1-65-1, 23-2-95-0.

India 1st Innings: Jaiswal c Marsh b Starc 4; Rahul batting 33; Gill c Marsh b Starc 1; Kohli c Carey b Hazlewood 3; Pant c Carey b Cummins 9; Rohit batting 0. **Extra:** (NB-1) 1. **Total:** 51/4 in 17 ovs. **FoWs:** 4-1, 6-2, 22-3, 44-4. **Bowling:** Starc 8-1-25-2, Hazlewood 5-2-17-1, Cummins 2-0-7-1, Lyon 1-0-1-0, Head 1-0-1-0.

JUST as Australia were getting in a huddle after the second rain break on Day 3 at The Gabba, there was a huge gasp at the media centre. India opener Yashasvi Jaiswal, who was taking throw-downs just before going into bat for the first time at this venue, had mistakenly hit one towards the Australian huddle. The ball didn't hit any player but the video-person with Cricket Australia seemed to have taken the blow to the ankle. Usman Khawaja came out of the huddle to check his leg while Jaiswal apologised, first from where he stood, and then walking closer, checking if everything was okay. All through this, the videographer had a smile, taking it like a sport.

That was perhaps the only moment that the Indian contingent would have smiled, at least in the hour that followed.

Seconds later, Jaiswal was in the middle, taking strike against Mitchell Starc. The first ball of the innings was pitched full on off-stump line, with a slight away swing that Jaiswal had to play at it. He brought the bat down straight and the ball flew off the outside edge for four. The signs were that it was going to be a real brawl between bat and ball. Either India are going to bundle out like they did on the first day of the series in Perth, or put their head down and bat like they did in the second innings of the same match.

On the second ball, Jaiswal chipped the full delivery on his pads to Mitchell Marsh at square leg. Shubman Gill got three balls from Starc. One hit the inside half of the bat, one was worked for a single and the third, after Gill waited an over at the other end, was a tease outside off-stump. Gill chased and Marsh took a blinder in what was the second gully position. Starc was letting it rip and the fact that the pitch — which had been under the covers on and off thanks to the intermittent rain delays — had uneven bounce helped.

Who didn't help themselves? Indian batters. Virat Kohli. Every cricket watcher in the world knows Kohli chases balls outside off-stump. So one has to assume Kohli knows too. He puts in the time in nets, looks as good as he can, the sound off his bat is his music, but none of it matters when he gets on the field. What matters there is the discipline the batter shows, especially early in the innings.

One of the centurions from first innings, Steve Smith had explained it after day one. He said that on such a pitch that has bounce, the batters have to look out for themselves in the first 30 overs while hoping that they get amount of luck. Kohli knows his luck has run out for a while now. In recent years, there have been multiple occasions where the marginal calls have gone against him. So, all that was left was the discipline outside off-stump — which seems to have deserted him for a while now as well, especially early on in his innings.

Brisbane, however, was significant on so many levels. On a day that saw as many as eight rain delays from the morning till Rohit Sharma walked out to bat, India needed their most-experienced batter to just spend time in the middle. They needed Kohli to do what Smith did, at least for a session. That need, that belief, all went away after the first ball he faced. Kohli, up against Starc, went for a drive to a full delivery while being in his stance. He got beaten, but that in essence, summed up his current predicament. Starc went short, pushing Kohli back and beating him again. Kohli got an inside edge, walked to the other end and tackled Josh Hazlewood. Over the next few overs, he stayed in the middle despite his temptations to chase the ball outside off-stump.

On the first ball of the eighth over, KL Rahul pulled Hazlewood so well that it should have raced to the ropes. And it almost did before Starc put in a full-length dive and kept it to single. Kohli was back on strike. And Hazlewood floated it on the full and Kohli took the bait. Another long, disappointing walk back to the pavilion. Kohli was out for three off 16 and India 22/3. It is not just that he isn't scoring runs, but the pattern of dismissals clearly paints a frustrating picture.

There was more pain in store for India as they were down to 44/4 when rain came down again at the fall of Rishabh Pant. Eventually, it turned out to be another day where the top-order let bowlers down when all they had to do was just stay on the field. While Rohit has joined Rahul in the middle, the only thing that could save India at the moment is the forecast. Rain is expected to disrupt the match in the remaining two days and India would want to try and survive as long as they can.

Josh Hazlewood (L) celebrates Virat Kohli's (R) wicket at the Gabba on Monday | PTI

From Madurai to Mumbai Indians via KL: Kamalini story

KALYANI MANGALE @ Bengaluru

ON Sunday, at the Bayuemas Oval in Kuala Lumpur, G Kamalini was having the time of her life behind the stumps. There were rhythmic clapping for bowlers, loud and clear shouts for fielders when Pakistani batters were trying to steal a few runs. She wanted India fielders to throw her the ball. And if that wasn't enough it looked like she was the celebration in-charge of the team, feeding off the energy of a group of Indian supporters at the ground. In the second innings, with bat in her hand, she was unstoppable. There were cuts, drives, and even a powerful six for which a fielder at long on was just a spectator. The sixteen-year-old even finished the match with a huge six while grinning from ear to ear. For any cricketer, this would have been a great day in cricket. Especially for a teenager who had worn her national colours (U19) for the first time. But the fun didn't stop for the Madurai cricketer there.

A few hours later, at the Women's Premier League mini auction in Bengaluru, many well-established capped Indian and overseas players went unsold. In the second category of the day, that uncapped player, Kamalini's name came up first. The champions of the inaugural season, Mumbai Indians and two-time finalists Delhi Capitals went on a bidding war for her. There was an audible gasp at the press conference area at the auction site as the price went beyond one crore for a player not many have seen in action before. And one could see the elation from Mumbai's table the moment the auctioneer Mallika Sagar announced "For you Mumbai Indians. 1 crrore 60 lakh. Sold."

That elation was felt at Bengaluru, in Kuala Lumpur, and equally in Chennai where Kamalini's coach of the Tamil Nadu U19 women's side, V Bobby Gulecha celebrated the mouth-watering deal. "It is a great day not just for her but Tamil Nadu Cricket Association as well," Bobby told this daily. "For us, we are very proud that she has been part of the U19 team. Her hardwork has paid off. Her parents have been really supportive. It is good to know that people understand how much she brings to the table. It is exciting to know she is getting that opportunity. Surely Mumbai Indians are best to have her," she added.

"The day has been double dhamaka for her. She will never forget this day in her life. The amazing debut she had and the way she played for India with the bat would give her more pride than anything else. She always wanted to wear that jersey for the longest time. I think she is a well-deserved candidate for that. To add a cherry to the top, she got picked in the WPL Auction," one could hear Bobby's joy.

Known for her powerful hits and the capacity to dig the team out of any situation, Kamalini was the star for Tamil Nadu in the Women's U19 T20 Trophy. With 311 runs in eight matches, at strike rate of 123.90, and an average of 60, she was the standout performer. She also hit 10 sixes, the most in the competition and Bobby has seen it all from close since she was 13. "That six-hitting capacity is built into her. She has been a flawless cricketer when it comes to hitting. Her batting is pleasing to watch. I wish her the best for the U19 World Cup. I know she will bring a lot of glory to the team she plays for and with that to all of us. She is a rockstar," Bobby praised the youngster.

Many players would dream for one of the days like this in their careers, for Kamalini, it all came along in one day.

Niggle trouble for Siraj as pacer continues to struggle

GOMESH S @ Brisbane

IT was the 37th over of the Australian innings on Sunday. Mohammed Siraj, having bowled the first two balls, called on the physio. Rohit Sharma was standing at first slip, wondering what happened. For an Indian fan, it's the worst nightmares coming true — a pacer walking off the field this early into the match is a scenario that would give vivid flashbacks from yesteryears.

That is exactly how it would have felt when Siraj limped off the field with Akash Deep completing the over. By then, Siraj had bowled six overs on the trot in what was his third spell of the game. Rohit wanted one more and Siraj obliged. However, his body couldn't. Through the recent past, there has been enough evidence that Siraj hasn't always had the same endurance for spells longer than what he did in Brisbane. But given the situation — Siraj had been testing Steve Smith who was riding his luck — Sharma perhaps thought he could have another go. But it didn't work.

What was feared to be a hamstring injury ended up being a niggle as Siraj was back on the field in about ten minutes. However, he wasn't the same bowler. Siraj was conscious of his niggle, wasn't running in as he used to and inconsistent with his lines as well. And it showed. His next eight overs went for 48 runs — most of which was with the older ball while Travis Head and Smith had a go at him. A little later he was brought back with the second new ball and Siraj removed Pat Cummins which gave more relief than anything. There

was no celebration as he did after getting Head out in Adelaide. He knew the match situation and more importantly, the fact that he is not fully fit.

To understand his body, take a look at his workload. Since the beginning of 2023, Siraj has sent down 112 overs more than Jasprit Bumrah across formats for India while playing 15 games more than him. No pacer from the subcontinent had bowled more. Understandably, it got to him. He realised it was not working and ringed up his mentor before coming to Australia. Former India bowling coach Bharat Arun, who had a significant role in his career, talked through to the pacer, and it made a difference.

Siraj looked a different bowler in Perth and even revealed the conversations he had with Arun during the Prime Minister's XI game in Canberra. He claimed four wickets in Adelaide and came to Brisbane brimming with confidence. The last time he played at this venue, Siraj had taken a fifer. He even spearheaded the bowling attack and played a part in the historic win.

Watching Siraj going through his motions on Sunday, and in the first session on Monday, he felt like a shadow of himself. Siraj did take another wicket as India bowled out the hosts for 445, but the way he went for runs — more than four runs per over — made one wonder two things. For starters, what has gone wrong? And second, can he sustain for the rest of the series?

While the answer for the second question can be found only later, vice-captain Bumrah clarified on the first. "In this game, I think I will give him credit that he had a little bit of a niggle but he still kept on bowling and still helped the team because he knew if he goes inside and he doesn't bowl, then the team will be under pressure. So, I think he has got a great attitude and he has got a fighter spirit that the team loves," Bumrah said on Monday.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

EXPRESS READ

Maiden national title for shooter Riya

NEW DELHI: Aurangabad teenager Riya Shirish Thatte stunned a star-studded field to win the women's 25m pistol event at the 67th National Shooting Championship Competitions here on Monday. Riya got the better of Punjab's Simranpreet Kaur Brar 7-2 in a shoot-off for gold, after both had tied at 31-hits in the 8-series of five-shot decider. Former Asian Games champion Rahi Sarnobat was third.

Kerala Blasters sack head coach Stahre

KOCHI: Kerala Blasters FC on Monday announced the termination of services of their head coach Mikael Stahre with immediate effect after a string of poor performances by the club in the Indian Super League. Assistant coaches Bjorn Wesstrom and Frederico Pereira Morais have also left the club, along with Stahre.

World squash meet: Indian men finish 5th

HONG KONG: Indian men secured an impressive fifth-place finish, while the women ended in a commendable seventh position at the World Team Squash Championship here. The Indian men upset fifth seeds Malaysia, while the women defeated nine-time champions Australia on their way to the quarterfinals.

National Games logo, mascot unveiled

NEW DELHI: Union Minister Raksha Khadse unveiled the logo and the mascot for the 38th National Games set to be held in Uttarakhand from January 28 to February 25. The mascot, 'Mouli', inspired by Uttarakhand's state bird the Monal was revealed along with the official logo, jersy, torch, anthem and the tagline "Sankalp Se Shikhar Tak" (From Resolution to Zenith) on Sunday.

Women's Euro: UEFA more than doubles prize money

AP @ Lausanne

PRIZE money for the 2025 Women's European Championship will more than double compared to the previous edition, with the 16 teams sharing 41 million euros, UEFA said Monday. Each federation will get a minimum of 1.8 million euros for playing at Euro 2025 in Switzerland and is obliged to share at least 30% of the money among the players, UEFA's executive committee decided Monday. The title winner can earn up to 5.1 million euros.

Clubs whose players compete at the tournament will share 6 million euros at a daily rate of 657 euros per player. That is a total increase of 33% compared to the last women's Euros.

The men's Euro 2024 had a total prize fund of 331 million euros, from overall revenue of about 2.4 billion euros. Each of the 24 participants received a minimum of 9.25 million euros and winners Spain earned 28.25 million euros. UEFA also said the men's Nations League Final Four mini-tournament next June will be hosted by the winner of the quarterfinal between Italy and Germany.

FOOTBALL ROUND-UP

Leganes stun Liga leaders Barcelona

AGENCIES @ Barcelona

LA LIGA leaders Barcelona stumbled 1-0 at home against Leganes on Sunday as they suffered another blow in the Spanish title race. Atletico Madrid pulled level on points with the Catalans with a 1-0 victory of their own against Getafe earlier on, their 11th straight win across all competitions. Leganes defender Sergio Gonzalez headed home from a corner after four minutes for the visitors and Barcelona missed a host of presentable chances as they failed to mount a comeback.

Leganes' Sergio Gonzalez (L) & Barca's Robert Lewandowski vie for the ball | AP

After a superb start to the season, Barcelona have lost three of their last six league games and won just one of those, seeing their lead whittled away. Hansi Flick's side lead third-place Real Madrid by a single point, after the champions drew at Rayo Vallecano on Saturday, having played one extra game than both their closest title rivals.

Chelsea gain on Liverpool

LONDON: Enzo Maresca's high-flying Chelsea beat Brentford 2-1 at Stamford Bridge to close to within two points of long-time Premier League leaders Liverpool, who have 36 points. Tottenham Hotspur, meanwhile, thrashed Southampton 5-0.

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POST-STROKE

TIMELY REHAB KEY TO REGAIN FULL MOBILITY

ASHISH SRIVASTAVA @New Delhi

ARVIND Sagar, 58, who had a history of hypertension and diabetes, suffered an ischemic stroke last July. The stroke affected the right side of his brain, impairing motor and cognitive functions on the left side of his body. Fortunately, his family acted quickly, and he was rushed to the hospital. Doctors performed an emergency thrombectomy within four hours of the stroke's onset. The procedure was successful, and imaging confirmed the complete removal of the blood clot.

Arvind began showing signs of recovery within 48 hours as he regained partial movement in his left arm and leg, giving his family hope that he would recover fully. After a week in the hospital, he was discharged with a detailed rehabilitation plan that included physical therapy, occupational therapy, and speech therapy. The doctors also emphasised the importance of lifestyle changes such as a balanced diet, regular exercise, and stress management to support his recovery and reduce the risk of another stroke.

However, despite the medical team's guidance, Arvind and his family underestimated the importance of rehabilitation. They believed the surgery had addressed the primary issue and assumed that time would naturally heal the rest. With busy schedules and no immediate or visible improvement from the initial therapy sessions, they gradually discontinued his rehabilitation routine.

As the months passed, the consequences of this decision became evident. By January, six months after his stroke, Arvind's condition had deteriorated significantly. His left side grew weaker, and he could no longer walk without assistance. His muscles became stiff, and he developed contractures that severely limited his range of motion. This stiffness was so severe that it required additional surgical intervention.

The physical decline was only part of the story. Emotionally, Arvind struggled with frustration and depression as he became increasingly dependent on his family for daily activities. His social life suffered as well—he withdrew from friends and relatives, ashamed of his inability to function independently.

In desperation, Arvind returned to rehabilitation six months after his initial discharge. But by then, the damage caused by the delay was irreversible. The therapy sessions were challenging, and his progress was slow compared to those who had started their recovery journey immediately after surgery. While he did see some improvement, he could never fully regain the mobility and independence that might have been possible with timely rehabilitation.

Arvind's story is a poignant reminder of the critical role post-stroke rehabilitation plays in recovery, according to doctors.

"Patients always think that medicines are the cure. They are, but rehabilitation plays a critical role," said Dr Madhukar Bharadwaj, director & HOD of neurology, Aakash Healthcare, Delhi.

"Many stroke patients miss out on good stroke rehabilitation, which is extremely essential for stroke recovery, as recovery continues for weeks to months after an acute stroke. For stroke survivors, recovery is a journey that demands both medical intervention and a steadfast commitment to rehabilitation," he added.

"We talk a lot about preventing a stroke and about early treatment, once somebody has had a stroke, especially if they're within the four-and-a-half hour treatment window, where we try to maintain the blood supply to the brain. But sometimes this is not possible, or this is unsuccessful, leading to permanent injury to the brain. To recover from the deficits caused by a stroke, in the form of either weakness, loss of sensation or loss of balance, rehabilitation is one of the important tools," said Dr UM Sreenivas, consultant, neurologist, MGM Healthcare Hospital, Chennai.

According to Bharadwaj, there are five types of disabilities that strokes can cause. "Paralysis or movement control problems, difficulty in sensing pain, temperature or position disturbances, language difficulties (both spoken and understanding), memory problems, and emotional liability - where a person loses control over their emotions," he explained.

How rehabilitation works

Rehabilitation for stroke survivors is a multidisciplinary process aimed at minimising disabilities and enhancing physical, emotional, and social well-being. It typically begins as soon as the patient's condition stabilises, often within 24-48 hours after the event.

"Stroke rehabilitation works by a concept called neuroplasticity where other unaffected areas of the brain take over the function of the affected areas and hence the person is able to regain the function which was lost lost due the stroke," said Dr Sreenivas.

According to experts, a lot depends on the cause of the stroke, where it occurred in the brain, how soon it was detected, and the severity – these factors decide how much recovery or rehabilitation will happen and what type of therapy is used.

"This can include daily activities such as feeding, toileting, dressing, walking, transferring from the bed to a chair, communication skills, speech, writing, memory, problem-solving, vocational training, and pain management, which is a very important part of post-stroke care," said Bharadwaj.

Dr Guruprasad Hosurkar, additional director of neurology, Fortis Hospital, Bannerghatta Road, Bengaluru, said post-stroke pain significantly hinders rehabilitation, as patients often do not participate fully in the rehabilitation process.

"It is crucial for maximising recovery. Recovery happens most significantly in the first three months after a stroke. After that, recovery slows down. Both active rehabilitation, where the patient puts in their own effort, and passive rehabilitation, provided by the therapist, are done rigorously during the first three months," he added. Bharadwaj said typically, good stroke rehab team consists of various doctors and workers including neurologists, rehab nurses, rehab physical therapists, occupational therapists, speech and language therapists, psychologists, and psychiatrists.

Role of nutrition and lifestyle

A balanced diet and healthy lifestyle are integral to recovery and reducing the risk of recurrent strokes. "Foods rich in antioxidants, omega-3 fatty acids, and vitamins can support brain health, reduce inflammation, and promote healing. Maintaining proper hydration is equally important. Patients are also encouraged to adopt healthier lifestyles—such as exercising regularly, quitting smoking, and moderating alcohol consumption—to prevent further strokes and improve overall well-being," said Hosurkar.

Technological advancements

"New technologies for stroke rehabilitation, such as robots for motor rehabilitation, brain-computer interfaces for language rehabilitation, non-invasive brain stimulators for motor rehabilitation, neuroprosthetics for deficits that are not recovering (such as foot drop), and virtual reality wearable devices or tablet PCs, show great promise in improving rehabilitation outcomes," said Bharadwaj.

AIIMS Delhi and IIT Delhi collaborated with SparshMind Innovation to develop ReMind, an advanced device designed to overcome barriers in neuro-rehabilitation. Rubina Khan, a member of the R&D team (ReMind), said the device addresses the needs of individuals affected by stroke, spinal cord injuries, and traumatic brain injuries.

"It is a promising tool for home-based rehabilitation. This innovative system integrates virtual reality (VR) modules to provide engaging and personalised functional therapy. The device monitors patient progress, offering detailed insights to optimise physiotherapy protocols. It also features a grip trainer for strength measurement and training, along with a single-camera system that accurately assesses body movements. Built on well-established treatment protocols, ReMind has demonstrated a proven ability to expedite patient recovery. Field trials have confirmed its effectiveness in delivering superior rehabilitation, supported by objective biomechanical analyses," she said.

Another new technique recently introduced is the bio-feedback system where the muscle activity is recorded and the patient is trained to activate muscles. "Since they can actually see they are sending signals to the muscles as their thought process is linked to the muscle, this helps them understand what they can do to actually increase muscle strength," said Dr Sreenivas.

Crucial role of support systems

Family members and caregivers form the backbone of a patient's recovery journey. Experts said their role extends beyond physical assistance to include emotional support, which is critical for maintaining motivation and adherence to therapy schedule.

"Support systems provide emotional encouragement, help patients stay motivated, and assist with daily activities, significantly enhancing the rehabilitation process. The emotional and psychological support offered by loved ones can be just as important as physical care. Encouraging community engagement and social interaction further helps reduce feelings of isolation, fostering a holistic recovery environment," said Hosurkar. "Without good caregiver support, it will be extremely hard for anyone who had a disabling stroke to have any sort of meaningful recovery. Many times, patients who do not have good emotional support and encouragement from their family give up on rehabilitation a few months after the stroke. This can lead to the loss of accrued benefits, as well as worsening of the disability that occurred post-stroke," Dr Sreenivas said.

(With inputs from Sinduja Jane @ Chennai, Rishita Khanna @ Bengaluru)

PUBLIC NOTICE

An original sale deed document pertaining to the property located at Bangalore North taluk, Yeshwanthapura hobli, Laggere village bearing Sy. No135/3, Khatha No. 135. Property No131/C, Registrar No. 4487/2008-09 Date: 27.12.2008 measuring East to West-16-0, North to South- 45-0 Feet Original Sale Deed have been lost. If anybody found the same, kindly inform nearby Police Station or the owner C.K. Devegowda Mobile: 9480119741

WESTERN RAILWAY RATLAM DIVISION

E-AUCTION OF PARKING STAND

E-Auction for the contract of Leasing of SLR compartment at various Trains of Ratlam Division has been invited. The Catalogue has already been published on IREPS website. The details are furnished as under. Catalogue No. lease-RTM-24-30, type of agreement- Leasing of SLR compartment, lot no. 22984-SLR-FII-INDB-KOTA-22-1, 22984-SLR-R1-INDB-KOTA-22-1, 19320-SLRF1- INDB-VRL-24-1, 19320-SLR-R1-INDB-VRL-24-1, 19333-SLR-F1-INDB-BKN-24-1, 12923-SLR-F1-DADN-NGP-22-1, 12923-SLR-R1-DADN-NGP-22-1, 20916-SLR-R1-INDB-LPI-22-1, 11125-SLR-F1-RTM-GWL-23-1, 11125-SLR-R1-RTM-GWL-23-1, 12913-SLR-F1-INDB-NGP-22-1, 19301-SLR-F1-DADN-YPR-24-1, 19301-SLR-R1-DADN-YPR-24-1 **Contract Period-2 years, EAuction for all Lots will start at 10:00 hours on dt.30.12.24. Initial cooling off period is 30 minutes. Successive Lot Closing Interval is 10 minutes. Lot wise closing time can be viewed in E-Auction module of IREPS.**

Apex/4/1/335 **Sr. DCM, Ratlam (WR)**

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PUBLIC NOTICE

General Public is hereby informed that, Mrs.VINUTHA.N.L, residing at No.1, 1st Cross, 13th Main Road, HAL 2nd Stage, Doopanahalli, Indiranagar, Bbangalore-560 008 is intending to purchase the Schedule Property mentioned below from its owner A.Vajresh. The said A.Vajresh and his wife G.Shobha have acquired the Schedule Property from Krishna Kumar.K.T, under a registered Sale Deed dated 06.06.2008, as document No.MDP-1-00959/2008-09 in Book I and stored in CD No.MDPD22, in the Office of the Sub-registrar, Mahadevapura, Bangalore. It is represented, further, by the Owner that, they have clear, valid and marketable title to the Schedule Property and it is free from all encumbrances.

If any person/s who claim/s any right, title or interest of any nature in or any lien, charge or enforceable right in relation to the said Schedule Property and/or any objections of any nature to the transaction should lodge such claims and/or objections in writing to the undersigned together with supporting documents within Seven days hereof, failing which it will be presumed that no valid claims or objections subsist and our Client would proceed to complete the transaction with aforesaid Owner subject to compliance with other statutory and legal formalities.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property House bearing No.246, BBMP Khatha No.256/246, Block-15, formed in Nos. 171, 188/1, 188/2A, 188/2B, 188/3,189/1, 189/2A, 189/2B, 190/2, 190/3A, 190/1, 190/2, 190/A, 190/4, 190/5, 191, 192, 193/1, 195, 196 and 197, by the Talakaveri Co-Operative Society Limited, situated at Talakaverinagar, Vibhuthipura Village, K.R.Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore, measuring East to West 30 ½ +34 ½ /2 feet and North to South 40+40 ½/2 feet, in all measuring 1308 sq.ft, along with Ground and Upper Four Floors residential house thereon together with all rights appurtenances whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface and bounded on the :-

Eastby:Site bearing No.245Westby:30 feet wide Road Northby:30 feet wide RoadSouthby:Site bearing No.247

Dated: 17.12.2024
Place : Bangalore.

H.D.Basappa
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IN THE COURT OF THE XXX ADDL. CITY CIVIL & SESSIONS JUDGE (CCH-31) AT BENGALURU
O.S No: 2536/2012
BETWEEN: Sri Satish Kumar S/o Narayanappa R/at Dasarahalli Village H.A Farm Post Bengaluru-560024 & Ors ...PLAINTIFFS
AND: Sri Narayanappa & Ors. ...DEFENDANTS
Sri Anill Kumar D.S Aged about 26 Years S/o Late Subramani D.N R/at No 355 Near Doddamma Temple Dasarahalli H.A Farm Post Bengaluru-560024 ...DEFENDANT No: 6
Sri Arun Kumar D.S Aged about 24 Years S/o Late Subramani D.N R/at No 355 Near Doddamma Temple Dasarahalli H.A Farm Post Bengaluru-560024 ...DEFENDANT No: 7
NOTICE/SUMMONS TO THE PROPOSED DEFENDANT NO: 23 on I A 1 Rule10(2) R/w 151 of cpc By Way of Paper Publication.
To, Smt. Gowramma W/o Sri N Ramamurthy, Aged about 36 years, Residing at No 438, 4th Cross Dasarahalli Main Road Bhuvaneshwari Nagar HA Farm Post Bengaluru-560024 ...Proposed Defendant No.23
Whereas, the Defendant No.6 (Sri Anil Kumar D.S) & Defendant No.7 (Sri Arun Kumar D.S) has filed an Application Under Order I Rule 10 (2) of CPC as against you in O.S No 2536/2012, which is pending before the Hon'ble XXX Addl City Civil & Sessions Judge (CCH-31) at, Bengaluru.
You are hereby summoned to appear before this Court on the **3rd day of January 2025 at 11 AM** in person or through advocate/pleader to answer questions to the same with the documents, failing which the application will be heard and decided-in-your absence.
Given under my hand & seal of the Court, this the 13th day of December 2024

By Order of the Court
Sd/- Senior Sheristedar
City Civil Court, Bangalore

ADVOCATE FOR DEFENDANT NO.6 & 7
LAWYERS INC
No.15/2, V.S. Raju road, 12th block, Kumar park Bengaluru-560020 08041553014

IN THE COURT OF THE 14th ADDL METROPOLITAN MAGISTRATE COURT BENGALURU AT MAYOHALL
C. Misc. No.50546/2024
BETWEEN: 1. SMT.KEMPAMMA, W/o Late.Byrappa, Aged about 54 years, R/at Kammasandra Village, Sulibele Hobli, Hosakote Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District. **2. SMT. BHAGYAMMA,** D/o Late.Byrappa, W/o Bettappa, Aged about 38 years, R/at No.91A, Nagondanahalli Road, Vijayangar, Whitefield post, Bengaluru-560066. **3. SMT LAKSHMI,** D/o Late.Byrappa, W/o Narayanaswamy, Aged about 36 years, R/at Kammasandra Village, Sulibele Hobli, Hosakote Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District. **4. SMT.THRIVENI,** D/o Late.Byrappa, W/o Srinivasa.C, Aged about 34 years, R/at No. 18, Thimmasandra, Hosakote Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District. **5. SRI.SURESH,** S/o Byrappa, Aged about 32 years, R/at Kammasandra Village, Sulibele Hobli, Hosakote Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District ... **PETITIONERS -V/s-**
AND: The Registrar of Births and Deaths Office of the Commissioner, BBMP, Mahadevapura Zone, Bengaluru ... **RESPONDENT**

PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas the petitioners have instituted the above petition for obtaining the death certificate from the respondent's authority and to register the date of Death of the Petitioner No. 1 husband and remaining petitioners Father's in the Death register by name Byrappa S/o Junjappa and Mother Name: Late.Kempamma and Wife NAME: Kempamma whose death was on 27/5/2023 at Green Avenu Road, HAL Bengaluru. If there are any person/s having claim they may appear before the, court in persons or through pleader on **02-01-2025** at 11:00.AM failing Which the petitioner will be disposed of according to law.
Given under my hand and the seal of the court on 16-12-2024.
By order of the court, Sheristedar XIV ADDL Chief Judicial Magistrate Court, Bangalore city.
Advocate for Petitioners: **POONAM .N**

Can Fin Homes Ltd
"SAJINI", # 69 (Old No.35)
Ground Floor, 12th Main
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JAYANAGAR BRANCH

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES
[proviso to rule 9(1)]

E- Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

NOTICE is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Can Fin Homes Ltd., **Jayanagar Branch**, will be sold by holding e-auction on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on **03-01-2025** for recovery of **Rs.40,50,000/-**(Rupees Forty Lakhs Fifty Thousand Only) due to Can Fin Homes Ltd. from **Mr.Deelip Kumar S/o. Laxaman Rao** (Borrower) **Mrs. Shital Tugave** W/o **Mr.Deelip Kumar** (Co-Borrower) & (Guarantor) **Mr. Rakshan Shetty** S/o. Dhananjay Narayan Shetty as on 16.12.2024 together with further interest and other charges thereon.

The reserve price will be **Rs.28,40,000/-**(Rupees Twenty Eighty Lakhs Forty Thousand Only)and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs.2,84,000/-** (Rupees Two Lakhs Eighty Four Thousand Only).

Description of the Immovable Property

All that piece and parcel of residential Apartment Flat bearing No.101, inFirst Floor of the building known as "VASANTHAM" having a super built up area Measuring 1050sq.ft, one Covered Car Parking Space, in the stilt floor, including proportionate share in Common Areas such as lobbies, passages, lifts, staircase, terrace, constructed in the schedule 'A' property and the building is of RCC roofing, solid concrete blocks, Doors and Windows are made with ordinary wood, flooring with Vitrified Tiles, with separate electricity and common water and sanitations including all common rights, common areas, privileges, situated at Old House list No.442/163/253, New House list No.835/163/253, formed out of converted Old Sy.No.163, New Sy.No.163/1, Doddathogur Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, now within the limits of Doddathogur Grama Panchayath and Bounded on: East by: Open to Sky, North by : Open to Sky, West by : Flat No.102, South by :Open to Sky.
Encumbrances : Nil

The detailed terms and conditions of the sale are provided in the official website of Can Fin Homes Ltd., (https://www.canfinhomes.com/SearchAuction.aspx). Link for participating in e-auction : www.bankeauctionwizard.com

Date: 16.12.2024
Place : Bengaluru
Sd/-
Authorised Officer
Can Fin Homes Ltd.

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[Rule - 8 (1)]
POSSESSION NOTICE
(For immovable property)

Whereas the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of Bank of India, under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under **Section 13 (12), read with rule 3** of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a **demand notice dated 30.09.2024** calling upon **the borrower Mr. Heeralal Chaudhary and Mrs Prem Latha** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.1,78,30,508.06 Plus Interest (One crore seventy eight lakhs thirty thousand five hundred and eight /six paisa Plus Interest)** within 60 (sixty) days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under **sub-section (4) of Section 13 of Act read with rule 8** of the Security **Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002** on this the 12th December 2024

The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **Bank of India** for an amount of **Rs.1,78,30,508.06 and interest thereon from 28.09.2024.**

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Equitable mortgage of all the piece and parcel of Residential house Property bearing No.333 (P-II), situated in Sector-'G', Ideal Homes Township (layout developed by The Ideal Homes Co-Operative Society Ltd., Bangalore Approved by BDA), in Halagevaderahalli Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, Presently comes under the BBMP Limits, Ward No.160, BBMP Municipal Khatha No.1749/333/1708/1587, measuring East to West: 60 feet., North to South: 40 feet., totally admeasuring 2,400 Square feet, along with constructed building comprising of Ground & First Floor (Duplex House) with Granite Flooring, Jungle Wood Doors & Windows, with all civic amenities, and **bounded by; East by :** Site No.332 **West by :**Road No.D **North by** :Cross Road No.4 **South by:**Site No.331

Date : 12.12.2024 **Sd/-, Chief Manager & Authorized Officer**
Place : Jnanajyothinagar **Bank Of India**

बैंक ऑफ महाराष्ट्र Bank of Maharashtra A GOVT. OF INDIA UNDERTAKING
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Head Office: Lokmangal, 1501, Shivajinagar, Pune-5

POSSESSION NOTICE
For Immovable property [Appendix IV under the Act-Rule-8(1)]

WHEREAS,

The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Bank of Maharashtra under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, and in exercise of the powers conferred under Sub-Section (12) of Section 13 read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rule, 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated 09.10.2024 calling upon the borrowers, **Mr. M Kumar (Prop. Of M/s. Sri Maruthi Process) & Mrs. Leelavathi,** to repay amount aggregating **Rs.97,33,648.00 (Rupees Ninety Seven Lakh Thirty Three Thousand Six Hundred Forty Eight Only)** plus unapplied interest thereon as mentioned in the demand notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said Notice. The notice was sent through Regd. AD Post as well as Hand Delivery.

The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the properties described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules **on this 11th day of December of the year 2024**.

The borrowers in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of Bank of Maharashtra, **SSI Rajajinagar Branch** for an amount hereinabove mentioned.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

The details of the properties mortgaged to the Bank and taken possession by the Bank are as follows:

All that pieces and parcels of land & building bearing Site No.24, Municipal No.15/1, Survey No.38 & 39, Khata No.243 in the Western portion of the site admeasuring area 612.50 sq. ft. lying & situated at Village-Malagalu, Tashvantpura Hobli, Nagarbhavi, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore-560 072 and the property is butted and **bounded as under- On or towards North :** By Road. **On or towards South :** Private property. **On or towards the East :** By Remaining portion of Municipal No.15 & Eastern Portion belongs to C Ramnath Reddy. **On or towards the West :** By Property No.25.

Date : 11/12/2024 **Sd/-**
Place : Bangalore **Chief Manager & Authorized Officer**
Bank of Maharashtra, Bangalore Zone

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Short Notice
For Sale of High Carbon Ferrochrome (HCFC)

CAD-1918: The Odisha Mining Corporation Ltd. intends to sell various grades of High Carbon Ferrochrome (HCFC) produced at Ferro chrome plant, OMC Ltd. situated at Jajpur Road in Jajpur District of Odisha through National e-auction. The e-auction will be conducted by MSTC Ltd. on **dt. 18.12.2024 from 2.00 PM to 5.00 PM.**

For details, please visit the website of MSTC i.e www.mstcecommerce.com.

OIPR-30005/11/0119/2425 **Sd/- Chief General Manager (S&M)**

Odisha Mining Corporation Ltd.
(A Gold Category State PSU)
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E-procurement notice

Bid document No.: OMC/E-PROC/C&P/ 045/2024-25, Dtd: 13/12/2024

1	Work name	Procurement of spare parts and overhauling of APC plant for Ferro Chrome plant, OMC (through e-tendering)
2	Availability of tender documents on the e-tendering portal of Government of Odisha	Date: 13.12.2024
3	Pre-bid meeting	Date: 31.12.2024; Time: 03:30 PM Venue: Through VC
4	Bid Due Date	Date: 14.01.2025; Time: 03:00 P.M.

All other details can be seen from the Tender Document available on the e-procurement portal of the Government of Odisha (www.tendersodisha.gov.in) and on the website of OMC (www.omcltd.in). OMC reserves the right to reject any or all bids without assigning any reason thereof.

OIPR-30005/11/0120/2425 **Sd/- Head (C&P)**

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Corporate Office: "CHOLA CREST", C 54 & 55, Super B-4, Thiru Vi Ka Industrial Estate, Guindy, Chennai-600032.
Branch Address: Door No. 625, 1st Floor, Old Madras Road, Medahalli, Vironager Post, Near K R Puram, Bangalore–540049

[Rule 8 (1)] POSSESSION NOTICE [For Immovable Property]

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of **M/s. Cholamandalam Investment And Finance Company Limited,** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 hereinafter called the Act and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13[12] read with Rules 3 of the Security Interest [Enforcement] Rules, 2002 issued demand notices calling upon the borrowers, whose names have been indicated in Column [B] below on dates specified in Column [C] to repay the outstanding amount indicated in Column [D] below with interest thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers in particular and the Public in general that the undersigned has **taken Possession** of the properties mortgaged with the Company described herein below of the Columns on the respective dates mentioned in Column [E] in exercise of the powers conferred on him under Section 13[4] of the Act read with Rule 8 of the Rules made there under. The borrowers in particular and the Public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties mentioned below and any such dealings will be subject to the charge of **M/s. Cholamandalam Investment And Finance Company Limited** for an amount mentioned in Column [D] along with interest and other charges.

Under section 13 [8] of the Securitisation Act, the borrowers can redeem the secured asset by payment of the entire outstanding including all costs, charges and expenses before notification of sale.

Sl. No.	Name and Address of Borrower & Loan A/c No.	Date of Demand Notice	Outstanding Amount	Date of Possession
[A]	[B]		[C]	[D]	[E]
1	**Loan Account No.: HE01RAK00000062656 :- Mr. Ramesha Lokeshwara (Applicant), Ms. Putta Ankhai Gowda Lalithamma (Co_Applicant), Ms. Chaitra M (Co_Applicant).** All are at: No.1160, Anaka, 7th Cross, Girinagar, 2nd Phase, Near Auden Public School, Banashankari 3rd Stage, Bangalore, Karnataka-560085. **M/s. Arunodaya Associates (Co_Applicant),** No.854, Ground Floor, 8th Cross, 1st D Main 2nd Phase, BSK 3rd Stage, Girinagar Bangalore, Karnataka 560085.	03-09-2024	**Rs.49,94,441/-** as on **03-09-2024** and interest thereon	13-12-2024

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DAY'S DIARY

Great invention

Wilbur and Orville Wright spent four years of research and development to create the first successful powered airplane, the 1903 Wright Flyer

WRIGHT BROTHERS

Wilbur Wright was born on April 16, 1867, near Millville, Indiana. As a child, Wilbur's playmate was his younger brother, Orville Wright, born in 1871 in Dayton

EARLY EXPERIMENTS

The Wright brothers had a passing interest in flight as youngsters. In 1878, their father gave them a toy flying helicopter model

RISE TO FAME

The Wright brothers began to sell their airplanes in Europe, before returning to the United States in 1909. They became wealthy businessmen

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Ustad Zakir Hussain **1951 - 2024**

USTAD, UNPARALLELED

As the country mourns the loss of tabla virtuoso Ustad Zakir Hussain, artistes across India who were his close associates share their heartfelt tribute with *CE*

Inputs by: Darshita Jain, Krishna PS, Paramita Ghosh, Pooja Das, Shreya Veronica, Sonu M Kothari, Vennapusala Ramya

L SUBRAMANIAM, VIOLIN MAESTRO

I first met Zakir in the late 1970s during a US tour. In 1975, there was a major tour with Pandit Ravi Shankar and Ustad Alla Rakha, Zakir's father. From then on, we collaborated frequently. One of the earliest Indian classical albums I recorded internationally, in Los Angeles, was with Zakir and my uncle Ramnad Raghavan. He was comfortable playing in a cross-cultural setup, whether it was North Indian classical or South Indian classical. He also effortlessly transitioned into fusion, working with legends like John McLaughlin in Shakti. Zakir wasn't just a tabla maestro; he was a global musician with extraordinary knowledge, technique, and charisma. He was a versatile, open-minded and deep-rooted musician and he cannot be replaced. He, in fact, elevated the tabla to a soloist's instrument and redefined its stature. On our travels, his energy used to be infectious and we would do impromptu jugalbandis. He was accommodating and I always enjoyed his companionship. It is extremely sad to lose him.

PRAVIN GODKHINDI, NATIONAL AWARD WINNING HINDUSTANI FLAUTIST

My earliest memory of Zakir Hussain is when he performed with Pandit Ravi Shankar ji in Hyderabad when I was a child. From then on, he has been my hero. When I invited him for a tabla solo to inaugurate our Sanjog Bansuri Mahavidyalaya, he was kind enough to come. Before he performed, he mentioned each and every artiste who performed with me. He was supportive of younger talent. He was an amazing artiste who inspired millions of musicians. I only wish he had lived for at least another 20 years, because there's so much more that we could have gotten from him.

Young Aditya Kalyanpur with mentor Zakir Hussain in the famous Wah Taj ad

ADITYA KALYANPUR, TABLA ARTISTE

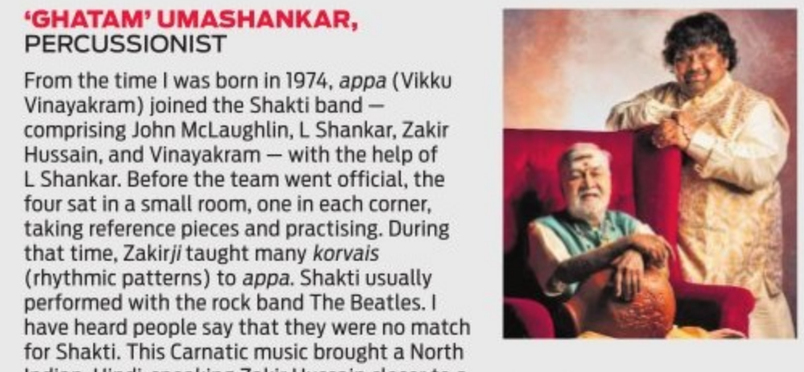
I feel deeply blessed to have had such a close relationship with Zakir bhai, as I called him. I was lucky to have studied with him from my childhood — a bond that goes beyond four decades. For me, he was more than a guru; he was like a father. He didn't just teach me music — he also taught me how to be humble, modest and kind to people These are rare qualities that we see in legendary figures. His passing is a monumental loss, both to the music world and to me, personally. Right now, I feel numb and lost, but I also know that Zakir bhai would want us to celebrate his life. He always taught us to honour those who pass on by carrying forward their legacy. As his disciple, I hope to contribute in my small way to keeping his legacy alive.

RAKESH CHAURASIA, FLAUTIST

I am truly devastated by the news that Ustad Zakir Hussain is no longer with us. I still cannot believe this has happened. I spent the whole night hoping for a miracle. This is, without a doubt, one of the greatest losses to the music world — be it in India or internationally. He was an extraordinary person. I have learned so much from him, about music and performing with him on stage. What stood out the most was his unwavering support for young artistes, giving them a platform to showcase their talent to the world. Beyond being an exceptional musician, he was an amazing human being, always willing to go out of his way to help others in any way he could. The entire world will miss him deeply. His music, his personality, and his legacy will never be forgotten. The way he bid farewell — with grace and excellence in his performances — has left an indelible mark on everyone. He didn't age into his later years in the public eye, and perhaps God had different plans for him. I can only hope his onward journey is even more pleasant. May he rest in peace.

BICKRAM GHOSH, CLASSICAL TABLA PLAYER

Till I was six, I grew up in the same house as Zakir Hussain. My parents were teachers at the Ali Akbar College of Music in the Bay Area of San Francisco. Zakir *bhai* who shared a flat in one of the floors would babysit me. As an artiste he had the incredible quality of being able to play the subtlest and the most difficult parts of a composition with equal ease and also be able to communicate and connect with the audience at the same time as if it was a fun thing. He not only had the ability of interpretation, but he was also able to project it in a unique way...It's performance art at the end of the day. He was also a true ambassador of India in every sense. In fact, he has taken the mantle from Ravi Shankar of being a musician on the global stage and made it his own. Zakir Hussain made the tabla cool. He was a trend setter and someone who is impossible to emulate. He had a command over every taal, whether it be the teen taal or the one with 11 or 15 beats. It is Zakir *bhai* who can also be credited with taking the tabla on the international stage. From Shakti to rock — he was a prolific collaborator across the globe. Have I ever collaborated with him? You collaborate with other musicians or your peers, not with a guru.



'GHATAM' UMASHANKAR, PERCUSSIONIST

From the time I was born in 1974, *appa* (Vikku Vinayakram) joined the Shakti band — comprising John McLaughlin, L Shankar, Zakir Hussain, and Vinayakram — with the help of L Shankar. Before the team went official, the four sat in a small room, one in each corner, taking reference pieces and practising. During that time, Zakir*ji* taught many *korvais* (rhythmic patterns) to *appa*. Shakti usually performed with the rock band The Beatles. I have heard people say that they were no match for Shakti. This Carnatic music brought a North Indian, Hindi-speaking Zakir Hussain closer to a Tamil man, Vikku Vinayakram. They were so inseparable that once Zakir*ji* told us that if *appa* invited him to sit and play on a street, he would. I played with him during his Masters of Percussion tour. The music world has not only lost a great musician but also a much greater human being.

MATTANNUR SANKARANKUTTY MARAR, PERCUSSIONIST AND PADMA SHRI RECIPIENT

The world knows the magic of his fingers, but what struck me most was his simplicity. Though I am four years younger, he used to address me as 'Guruji'. We travelled across the US in a bus in 2017 for a performance tour. I noticed his humility during that time – he never let anyone carry his luggage. His love for Kerala's vadyam brought us together, and we performed on stage multiple times. It breaks my heart to know that the world will never again witness his mesmerising stage presence.

PERUVANAM KUTTAN MARAR, PERCUSSIONIST AND PADMA SHRI RECIPIENT

Zakir*ji* was a great admirer of Kerala's percussion art, particularly Melam. I first met him in 1999 at the Keli Festival in Mumbai, where he presented me with the Promising Young Artist Award. Since then, he was like an elder brother to me. Like his father, Alla Rakha Master, Zakir*ji* was an artiste touched by divinity. In 2017, he visited my village of Peruvanam and performed for a Malayali audience. The way he captivated everyone with his tabla was unforgettable. His fingers moved with such grace and momentum that it felt as though we were blessed to witness something divine. His jugalbandi with Mattannur's chenda was mesmerising. I last met him in December 2023 at the Keli Festival, where he was honoured with the Lifetime Achievement Award. Mattannur Sankarankutty Marar and I had the privilege of presenting the award to him. I recall how Zakirji conducted numerous experiments with the tabla, excelling in all of them. He treated every artiste — big or small — with equal respect. His humility and generosity made him even greater in the eyes of fellow artistes.

SASWATI SEN, SENIOR DISCIPLE OF KATHAK GURU BIRJU MAHARAJ

In February 2024, when Kalashram (Birju Maharaj's dance institute in Delhi) instituted an award in his name, the first person we awarded was Ustad Zakir Hussain. Maharaj and Ustad were magic on stage, I have also done some solos with Zakir *bhai*. Zakir *bhai* was not only an ustad of the tabla, he was very versatile and could play Western drums as well. He specialised in creating new sounds and rhythms. He used to say that we need to look at rhythm not just aurally but visually. He would talk of the legends of each gharana and played from each gharana on stage.

XPRESS FOCUS

CHRIST UNIVERSITY AND CIMA UK HOST FINANCIAL LITERACY PROGRAMME CLOSING AND INVESTITURE CEREMONY

CHRIST (Deemed to be University), in partnership with the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA, UK), successfully hosted the Closing and Investiture Ceremony of its Financial Literacy Programme (FLP) under the university's flagship PAN-India project, 'Schools for Nation'. The event brought together academic leaders, alumni, parents, and students to celebrate the programme's success and impact.

The ceremony was graced by Bubul Bordoloi, Assistant General Manager, RBI, as Chief Guest, and Vinesh Singh, Council Member, AICPA-CIMA UK, as Guest of Honour. Their presence highlighted the importance of financial literacy and ethical leadership in shaping future leaders.

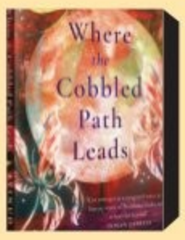
Over 100 alumni from Christ University's Department of Professional Studies, more than 100 parents, and academic leaders from various schools across Bengaluru attended the event.

Dr. Fr. Varghese K J, Chief Finance Officer, CHRIST (Deemed to be University), emphasised how the vision of the university, 'Excellence and Service', aligns with the goals of the 'Schools for Nation' initiative. Anitha Bijesh, Principal of DPS South, highlighted how the FLP gave her students a unique platform to learn practical financial concepts, which greatly enhanced their classroom learning.

Speakers included Prof. Soumya V, Head, Department of Professional Studies; Dr. Tomy K Kallarakal, Dean, School of Commerce, Finance, and Accountancy; Dr. Biju Toms, Director, School of Commerce, Finance, and Accountancy; and Dr. Jerlin Jose, Faculty Coordinator of the Financial Literacy Programme, who shared their reflections and congratulated the participants.

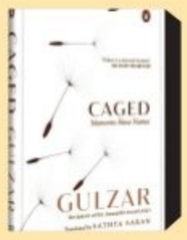
The event featured an Investiture and Oath Ceremony, cultural performances, and a felicitation ceremony recognising FLP and CIMA trainees and trainers. The Financial Literacy Programme, jointly organized by CHRIST (Deemed to be University) and CIMA UK, continues to set benchmarks in empowering students through innovative and impactful educational outreach across India.

BOOK NOOK



Where the Cobbled Path Leads
By Avinuo Kire

The book follows 11-year-old Vime, who on the day of her mother's demise follows a cobbled footpath to the deep end of the woods and discovers that the trail leads to a magnificent tree. She falls asleep under it only to wake up and find that the footpath has disappeared.

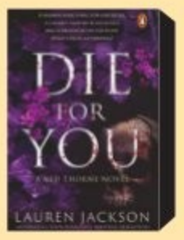


Caged
By Gulzar, translated by Sathya Saran

Gulzar paints the portraits of Birju Maharaj, Mehdi Hasan, Pancham, and Asha Bhosle through his magnificent words. He also depicts how their words are etched in his presence.

Malayali Memorial And Other Stories
By Unni R

The protagonist is a low-lying, wily, and seemingly powerless man in a strident casteist family; the young man in 'Boy and Girl' is the weepy sort, yet his powerless tears seem to soften the resolve of a confident woman.



Die For You: A Vampire Mystery Romance
By Lauren Jackson

A human searching for her sister, a grumpy vampire bodyguard in charge of keeping her alive, and a malicious creature hunting them down. What could go wrong?

CAPTIVATING MOVEMENTS

A classical dancer from Vaishnavi Natyashala performs at ADA Rangamandira, JC Road | **SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA**

QUICKFIX

PEANUT BUTTER BANANA SANDWICH

INGREDIENTS

- **Bread slices (whole wheat or white):** 2
- **Peanut butter:** 2 tbsp
- **Cinnamon:** A pinch (optional)
- **Banana (sliced):** 1
- **Honey (optional):** 1 tsp

METHOD

- Take two slices of bread and spread peanut butter evenly on both slices.
- Slice the banana into thin rounds and place them evenly on one of the peanut butter-coated slices.
- Drizzle a little honey over the banana slices for extra sweetness.
- Sprinkle a pinch of cinnamon on top for added flavour.
- Place the other slice of bread on top of the banana-covered slice to form a sandwich.
- Cut the sandwich into halves or quarters, and enjoy.

Contributed by **Elnah Ann Alwyn**, Kochi

NOWSTREAMING

REGIONAL

KANGUVA (Tamil)

While working as a bounty hunter in Goa, Francis recalls his past life, a centuries-old tale of warrior Kanguva. Turns out, he has an old score to settle and someone dear to protect in the present.

Cast: Suriya, Bobby Deol, Disha Patani

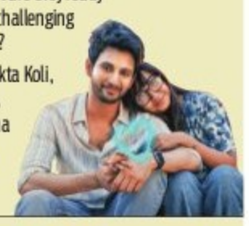
- **Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video

MISMATCHED (Hindi, series)

Three years into their relationship, Rishi and Dimple find themselves on a new campus. But are they ready to face the challenging side of love?

Cast: Prajakta Koli, Rohit Saraf, Taaruk Raina

- **Watch on:** Netflix



FOREIGN

HOW TO MAKE MILLIONS BEFORE GRANDMA DIES (Thai)

A man quits work to care for his dying grandmother, motivated by her fortune. He schemes to win her favour before she passes.

Cast: Putthipong Assaratanakul, Usha Seamkhum, Sanya Kunakorn

- **Watch on:** Netflix

SUBSCRIPTION

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SonyLIV:	₹299/month

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WALL SARVANGASANA

(WALL SHOULDERSTAND POSE)

It is an initial variation of Salamba Sarvangasana, focusing on proper shoulder and upper back placement. This can be done by beginners, intermediate and advanced practitioners. It can be included in yoga for teens and youngsters to establish a strong mind and body connection. It helps promote blood circulation and calm the nerves.

STEPS

- Use the wall for support and sit sideways, positioning your hip close to the wall. Align your buttocks against the wall, feet near the buttocks, and knees to the chest.
- Lie on your side, hips against the wall, feet and legs straight up the wall with toes pointing toward the head.
- Ensure shoulders are supported, broaden the upper back, flatten the lower back, and rest the tailbone on the mat. Take deep abdominal breaths to settle into the mat.
- Avoid turning your head; keep your gaze fixed at the tip of the nose. Bend your knees, placing your feet flat on the wall. Spread your toes and ensure the whole foot touches the wall.
- Tuck your chin slightly, elongate the neck, press the shoulder blades into the mat, engage your core, and exhale. Lift your buttocks off the floor.
- Raise the hips, squeezing the glutes, and press the hips toward the shoulders. Place your hands on the lower back for support, fingers pointing upward, and maintain even pressure across all fingers.
- Rotate the upper arms and shoulders outward, bringing elbows closer together and opening the chest. Thighs should remain perpendicular to the floor.
- Press the shoulders into the mat, lifting the chest and expanding the lungs. Breathe deeply and calmly.
- Walk your hands up the shoulder blades, guiding the back ribs forward to open the chest. Hold the pose for a few moments.
- Exit slowly and relax in Savasana.

BENEFITS

- Builds strength and stability in involved muscles.
- Prepares the body for transitioning into Sarvangasana.
- Enhances diaphragm efficiency and breath-body connection.
- Aligns the body for Sarvangasana progression.
- Stimulates thyroid and parathyroid glands, regulating growth and metabolism.
- Nourishes the brain, eyes, and heart.
- Improves the functioning of abdominal and pelvic organs.
- Delays age-related degeneration and promotes youthfulness.
- Relieves hemorrhoids by reducing gravitational pressure.
- Calms the nervous system, reducing stress and psychological disturbances.
- Activates Vishuddha Chakra and connects with upper chakras.
- Enhances blood circulation and organ function.

LIMITATIONS

- Avoid if you have severe back pain, spinal injury, spondylitis, abdominal surgeries, ear or throat infections, weak neck or shoulders, dizziness, or weak internal organs. Not recommended for children under 10, pregnant women, or seniors.

By N Elumalai, PhD Scholar (Yoga Science) at Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research, Chennai

WHATWHENWHYWHERE

Beat Drop

Get ready for Two for Tuesday and enjoy double fun with a 1+1 offer on drinks, free entry for couples, and complimentary beverages for ladies. Don't miss the electrifying beats of DJ Hassan for an unforgettable evening.

WHEN: December 17, 7.30pm
WHERE: Happy Brew, Koramangala
CALL: 096638 79500

Movie Screening

This weekend, treat yourself and your loved ones with an open-air screening of the charming romantic comedy *Serendipity* (2001), with a three-course dinner and popcorn.

WHEN: December 21, 7.30pm
WHERE: The Courtyard, Shanti Nagar
DETAILS: linktr.ee/thecourtyardcommunity

Rock Revival

Get ready for a musical evening as Magnetic Music Season 03 kicks off, featuring Kishan Baalaji Collective (KBC) and Moksha-All Stars offering tribute to all-time greats like The Beatles, Led Zeppelin, Bon Jovi, Queen, and Coldplay.

WHEN: December 17, 8pm
WHERE: ZLB23, Leela Palace, Kodihalli
DETAILS: theleela.com

Theatre Time

Experience the heartwarming journey of an unlikely friendship between a homeless woman and a young shelter worker in the play *Bag Dancing*.

WHEN: December 18, 7.30pm
WHERE: Ranga Shankara, JP Nagar
DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

Behind Exhibitions

Step into the world of museum curation in this month's Tuesday Tidbits with curator Khushi Bansal as she shares her journey of creating exhibitions and her experience with Museums Without Borders.

WHEN: December 17, 4pm
WHERE: Museum of Art and Photography, Kasturba Road
DETAILS: map-india.org

Memory Lane

Explore the stories behind objects and memories with a book discussion on the book *exObjects: The Art of Holding On, Letting Go*. Join authors Vikram Sampath, Shantanu Ray Chaudhuri, AT Boyle, and Shinie Antony as they delve into the emotional connections and histories of belongings.

WHEN: December 17, 6.30pm
WHERE: Bangalore International Centre, Domlur
DETAILS: bangaloreinternationalcentre.org

Jazz Fusion

Attend the Kalle Kalima trio's performance, blending country, jazz, and blues into a genre-defying soundscape. Join an evening with internationally-renowned guitarist **Kalle Kalima**, winner of the New German Jazz Prize and Finland's Jazz-Emma Award, as he and his bandmates deliver a boundary-pushing jazz-rock performance.

WHEN: December 20-21, 9.30pm
WHERE: Windmill, Whitefield
DETAILS: windmill-india.com

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NATURE AT PLAY

Artist Debosmita Samanta's artwork Chand Gulshan uses an interesting palette of colours to portray mother nature at work

BLING IT ON!

MAHIMA ANNA JACOB

THE festive season has kicked off, and a whirlwind of house parties, workplace celebrations, and chic cocktail evenings dripping with sparkle is likely to spill well into the New Year. Well, folks, it's time to crank up the glam.

Unlike other celebrations, Christmas and New Year's are occasions where you can truly go all out – bling it on, add some shimmer, play with bold textures, and embrace colours that pop. Be bold, indulge in some sartorial experimentation.

Now, how do you pick the look? It's all about balancing that show-stopping energy with effortless style, the gurus say.

"For Christmas parties and New Year's, it is essential to select fabrics that fall well, classic cuts, and versatile colour palettes," says Janki Prakash, creative director of Janki Prakash Designs.

"The season is not just about reds, whites, and greens. Metallics are in vogue this time, like silver, copper hues, and even dull gold. While choosing colours, think of the Christmas décor. Experiment with sparkly orange or electric blue – the season calls for it," she continues.

It's sweater season in many parts of the world with thick fabrics and bold textures remaining popular. "If you're bringing texture into an outfit, aim for no more than three different types. You can still evoke a wintry feel despite the hot weather," says Prakash.

She adds, "For a chic, demure look, try pairing an ivory slip dress with a faux fur jacket and satin-bow shoes or embellished stone shoes, along with a matching clutch."

What's Christmas without a touch of sparkle and glitter? However, Prakash cautions against overdoing sequins. "Ensure bling is limited to one area. When sequins cover an entire outfit, they can accentuate certain areas of your body, which may not be flattering for everyone," she says.

For a subtler take, Prakash recommends a crisp white buttondown shirt paired with a sequin skirt. A sequin minidress is another option. "If you want to go bold yet balanced, try a red top with a neutral-toned sequin skirt," she suggests.

This year, fashion experts have highlighted some "big-energy" trends: statement sleeves, embellishments – big stones, studs on denim, and velvets and bows.

"Bows offer that perfect Christmassy look. It can be the highlight of the dress. If you are going for a strapless one, you can go for a bow on your chest area. If it's a minimalist neck design, a big bow on the back would work beautifully," says Prakash.

For those who prefer pastel shades, stylist Ammu Varghese suggests using satin fabric. "Shades such as champagne and cream can be reused beyond Christmas parties. A satdress paired with a blazer, accessorised with pearl jewellery and stilettos, completes the look," she says.

The holiday season is upon us and it's time to 'blingle' all the way — think shimmer, bold textures, and vibrant colours

Men's fashion has also evolved beyond reindeer and snowflake prints. Designer Sooraj S K advises a dressed-up aesthetic. "Consider pairing turtleneck tops with Gurkha trousers, bell bottoms, and high-heeled boots for a stylish, elevated ensemble," he says.

"For a casual vibe, loose-fitting checkered shirts layered over plain T-shirts, skinny jeans, and sneakers are com-

fortable yet trendy. Waistcoats and shackets are also great choices, and add sophistication to any outfit," he suggests.

Holiday season obviously means travel plans. Ease of wear gets priority. Sreejith Jeevan, founder of Rouka, shares his approach: "Our collections feature easy, laid-back silhouettes, largely inspired by kaftans. These pieces aren't just for Christmas – our contemporary colour palette works year-round."

Rouka has focused on a black-and-gold colour combination, incorporating the brand's signature large motifs.

Elzaba Ipe, founder of L'zaba, notes a shift in holiday fashion. "This year, people are moving away from traditional, long dresses. Even when choosing longer styles, they prefer modern twists like halter necklines and off-shoulder cuts," she says.

"Jumpsuits with waist cuts and satin co-ords featuring draped skirts are also trending. For gender-neutral options, a crisp white shirt with subtle embroidery can be dressed up for a classy look," she adds.

Diya John, founder of Salt Studio, has unveiled a funky collection called 'Urban Frost'. This line celebrates women in urban spaces, with outfits that radiate festivity through sparkling, shimmery, and stretchable fabrics.

The collection also features a unisex satin crepe shirt. "Those who try it could turn heads at any party," says John.

The shirt, slightly sheer and available in darker shades, stands out for its pleat detailing and a subtle side cut. "When paired with, say, flared trousers in modal silk, it creates an effortlessly stylish and versatile party ensemble," adds John.

Meanwhile, the brand Mydesignation has gained attention for its quirky festive prints. Their Christmas unisex collection includes designs featuring reindeer, red-panel shirts adorned with garlands, and bursts of Santa faces.

"While the prints may seem tailored for millennials and Gen Z, the collection is designed to bring the whole family together with themed outfits – from grandparents to kids," says the brand's co-founder, Swaroop Krishnan. He adds, "After all, a celebration feels complete when everyone comes together. If fashion also can play a part, why not?"

Pics: L'ZABA, Susan Lawrence , Salt Studio, Mydesignation, Rouka

Practice the pause

LOVEOLOGY
Mahesh Natarajan

(The author is a counsellor with InnerSight)

IMAGINE this. You decide you need to rest. And for once, you switch off all your alarms to sleep in instead of waking up at five in the morning to do your exercises and everything else in the usual rush. You have an early dinner, announce your plans to sleep in, and go to sleep, letting yourself awake slowly instead of being alarmed into wakefulness.

Soon, you find yourself in a quiet space, curtains still drawn, a hush in the air. You check the time and it is close to nine. You walk out of the bedroom into the living space and it is bustling with activity, with your partner in the middle of all that high-energy action.

Now, in this situation, do you expect at that time, for your partner to be super sweet to you, glad that you had a wonderful restful sleep, and tell you sweet things,? Or do you expect to hear some degree of sarcasm, envy, or even outright complaints about how you get to sleep in but they do not have such luxuries?

If, over time, your relationship has found itself getting stretched by the demands of a busy life, and you have experienced a fair degree of sniping at each other as expectations have waxed and waned over the years, you might have gotten used to a whole lot of seemingly funny but ultimately taunting commentary when you get to relax or take a break when the other doesn't. It might come in small snappy things like, "Look who is up, finally!" Or a funnier, "Hey, are you going to bed so early?" but you start reading resentment into it.

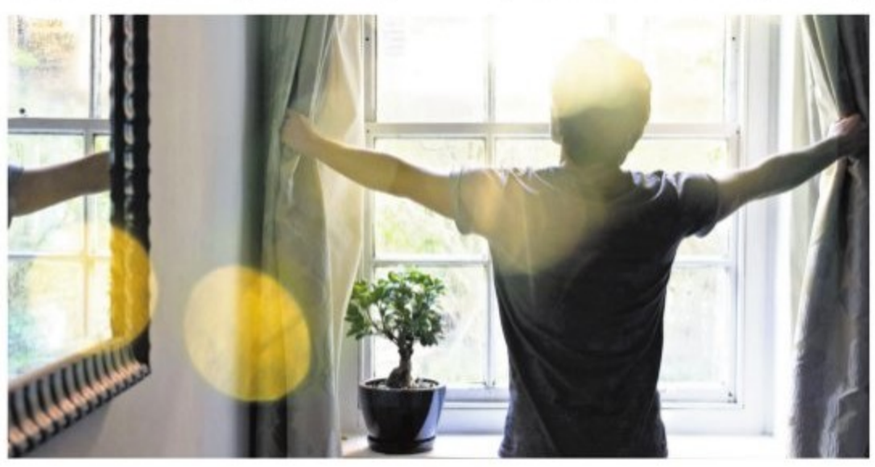
In such a situation, even if the partner is trying to be nice and is feeling warm and friendly, we might be so used to receiving resentment that we might read even a genuinely innocuous, "Good morning!" as snarky. If we reply, "Yes, yes, I know it is late. No need to rub it in," or worse, "Is it? I mean, is it good? Will you let it stay that way?", chances are, we might nip anything good that might be brewing in the bud.

We are designed to protect ourselves. We do it even when there is no threat just because there is a history of threat, even if the history was not with this person.

However, it helps to pause and to reaffirm if there was indeed a here-and-now threat. Just a "Hmm?" that asks your partner to reaffirm what they were saying can be enough to double-check your reading of the room. Whether your partner looks up and smiles at you at the 'hmm', or grumpily turns away, will be confirmation.

We need to practice that pause. Often, the pause makes all the difference between a good and a bad morning.

(The writer's views are personal)



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CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME), FARIDA BANU IBRAHIM, W/o Mr. Fayaz, Age About 59years, Residing at No: 41, 3rd Cross, Cauvery Nagar, D J Halli, Bangalore -560045 have changed my Name from **(OLD NAME) FARIDA BANU IBRAHIM** to **(NEW NAME) FARIDA BANU** Vide affidavit dated 16/12/2024 sworn before Notary S.R. NANJUNDA SWAMY, B.sc, LLB.", Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME), ANIL SINGHVEE, residing at No20/1, 1st Floor, Aikya apartments, 4cross, Uttaradhimutt road, Shankarpuram, Bengaluru 560004., have changed my Name from **(OLD NAME) ANIL SINGHVEE to (NEW NAME) ANIL KUMAR** Vide affidavit dated 16/12/2024 sworn before Notary B.R. Shashikala., Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **ROOPASHREE S,** an adult, Indian-Born National, residing at Flat No. 315, Gangabhavani Road, Kodigehalli, Bangalore-560092, do hereby declare that i.e., **ROOPASHREE S** and **ROOPASHREE SOMLEPALLI,** belong to the same person that is myself. I declare that my correct name is **ROOPASHREE S,** vide affidavit dated 16.12.2024, sworn to before K.V. Nanjaiah, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, Bengauru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **KRISHNA BHATTA** (Old Name), S/o THIRUMALESHWARA BHAT, Aged about 54 years, Resident at RESIDING AT NO.05, SWASTIKA, 1ST-C-MAIN ROAD, MUTHYALANAGAR, GOKULA POST, BENGALURU-560054, KARNATAKA, declare that I have changed my name from **KRISHNA BHATTA** (Old Name) to **KRISHNA BHAT** (New Name), henceforth I shall be known and called as **KRISHNA BHAT** (New Name) for all my personal, official & legal purpose, vide Affidavit dated : 13/12/2024 before Notary **GANGARAJU.B.N.** at BENGALURU.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME), NAZIA BEGUM REHMAN SAHEB, W/o Mr. Mohammed Mushtaq, Age About 39years, Residing at No: 17/A, 3rd F Main, Nagamma Layout, K B Sandra, Bangalore -560032 have changed my Name from **(OLD NAME) NAZIA BEGUM REHMAN SAHEB to (NEW NAME) NAZIA BEGUM** Vide affidavit dated 16/12/2024 sworn before Notary S.R. NANJUNDA SWAMY, B.sc, LLB.", Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME), JITENDER KUMAR PREMRAJ JAIN, residing at No 85, 2nd Cross Vannarpet Layout, Viveknagar, Bengaluru - 560047, have changed my Name from **(OLD NAME) JITENDER KUMAR PREMRAJ JAIN to (NEW NAME) JITENDER KUMAR** Vide affidavit dated 16/12/2024 sworn before Notary B.R. Shashikala., Bangalore.

Confirmation Of Name
I, **KAMBADUR GURURAJA RAO** @ K.Gururaja Rao, S/o late Rama murthy, K., by way of an Affidavit dated 13.12.2024 sworn to before Sri Chandrashekaraiah, Bangalore, Notary confirmed that in some of my credentials, certificates and documents my name is mentioned as **KAMBADUR GURURAJA RAO** and **K.GURURAJA RAO** and it refers to the same person i.e., to me only.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SWETHA ARUVANHALLI RAJANNA** W/o Manjunath Doddahulluru Lakshmanaiah, R/o No. 143, Doddahulluru, Hoskote Taluk, Hoskote, Bangalore 562 114 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **SHWETHA ARUVANHALLI RAJANNA** to **SWETHA ARUVANHALLI RAJANNA,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **SWETHA ARUVANHALLI RAJANNA** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 16th Dec. 2024, sworn before Advocate and Notary **B. CHITRA** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **PRIYANKA .G,** W/o. Basavaraju .M.N, aged about 29 years, R/at. No. 001, 1st Floor, Heritage, Heaven Apartment, 6th Main Road, Tavarekere Extension, BTM Layout, Bangalore-560029, do hereby declare that I have changed my son's name from **AADVIK YOGENDRA** to **TANISH .B,** vide affidavit dated 10.12.2024, sworn to before G. Dayananda, Advocate & Notary, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Sangeetha.T,** D/o. Thiyagarajan, aged about 44 years, Residing at No. C-22A, Alpine Park Apartment, Begur Main Road, Bommanahalli, Bengaluru-560068, do hereby declare that my name **Sangeetha.T** in my Passport my sur name to be changed to **Sangeetha.T D/o. Thiyagarajan** instead of my sur name is my passport as **Sangeetha.T** W/o. **Thirumalaisamy,** vide affidavit dated 16.12.2024, sworn to before R. Sulakshana, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **KOLAR SOMANNA SHIVA KUMAR,** S/o Somanna, age 33 years, R/at No. 2, 1st Floor, 3rd Main, Ramanna Road, Sarakki Kere, JP Nagar 5th Phase, Bengaluru-78 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **KOLAR SOMANNA SHIVAKUMARA** to **KOLAR SOMANNA SHIVAKUMAR,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **KOLAR SOMANNA SHIVAKUMAR** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 16/12/2024, sworn before Advocate and Notary **G. DAYANANDA** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Roshini Boggaram Vinaykumar,** aged 52 years W/o Vinaykumar Boggaram residing at No. 259, 8th Main, 17th Cross, Sadashivnagar, Bangalore North - 560080, state that Roshini Baggaram Vinaykumar and Roshini Boggaram Vinaykumar are the same and in future will be known as **Roshini Boggaram Vinaykumar** vide affidavit dated 10-12-2024 sworn before the Notary H R Karunakara, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **(OLD NAME) M DEVIGA,** Mother of NO.15330000A, L/NK MUTHU KUMARAN S, Residing at Eriyankadu, (Vill), Eriyankadu (Post), Anaicut (Tehsil), Vellore (Dist), TAMIL NADU (State), PIN: 632104, Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) DEVIKA SUBRAMANI,** And **DOB** from **01.07.1956** to **15.09.1960** Vide Affidavit Dated 13.12.2024 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Sivananda Sundara Pandian** (new name) previously called **Sundara Pandian** (old name) and resident of No.62, Chandravadana Layout, 2ndCross, Ramamurthynagar, Dooravaninagar Bengaluru - 560 016. have changed my name from **Sundara Pandian** to **Sivananda Sundara Pandian** for all future purposes vide affidavit number IN-KA91580439292054W dated 10.12.2024 before notary G Rajendra (Advocate) Bengaluru

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **RAGASHREE .G.S,** age 20 years, S/o Sri G. Srinivasa, R/at No. 440, 2nd Main, 7th Cross, RBI Layout, JP Nagar 7th Phase, Bengaluru-560 078 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **RAGASHREE** to **RAGASHREE .G.S,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **RAGASHREE .G.S** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 16th Dec. 2024, sworn before Advocate and Notary **ARAVIND PATIL .G.G** at Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME
I, Mr. SAM JAISON .J.S, aged about 23 years, S/o. Late Jason D Crispus residing at No.04, Sri Rudreshwara Arcade, 6th Cross, Nandinagar, Dwarakanagar, Near Chikkabanavara Post Office, Hesaraghatta Main Road, Chikkabanvara, Bangalore-560090. I state that both my parent's name is wrongly mentioned in my Educational Proof. I state that my Father's Correct name is JASON D CRISPUS and my mother's correct name is SUSEELA K. vide affidavit dated: 16.12.2024 before advocate and notary Kodi Nagappaya, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, Sri. N. MUNIRAJA alias MUNIRAJU. N, S/o. Nanjappa, Aged about 59 years, R/at No.128/11, Near K.Narayanapura Bus Stop, K.Narayanapura, Dr. SRK Nagar Post, Bangalore -560077, hereby declare that my names **N. MUNIRAJA and MUNIRAJU. N** belongs to one and the same person, vide affidavit dated: 16.12.2024 before advocate and notary D. Rajanna, Bengaluru.

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CHANGE OF NAME
I, **UDAYA SWETHA POTLAPOOVU** (New Name) Previously **UDAYA SWEATHA POTLAPOOVU, UDAYA SWETHA POTLAPUVU & UDAYA SWETHA MADISETTI,** date of birth: 12.04.1988, W/o. Ravikanth Madisetti, residing at Flat No. 106, Sy. No. 6, Raaya Homes, Opp. Government School, Sorahunase, Varthur, Bangalore-560 087. Hereby declare that, I have changed my name to **"UDAYA SWETHA POTLAPOOVU"**, vide Affidavit dated 16.12.2024, Sworn before Advocate and Notary A.M.Rajasekar, Bangalore.

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'UPENDRA VALUES INPUT, ENCOURAGES FREE THINKING, AND MAKES YOU FEEL VALUED'

...says Reeshma Nanaiah as she discusses her role and the transformative experience of working with the *UI* director, who challenges and inspires, ahead of its release this week

A SHARADHAA

FOR someone like Reeshma Nanaiah, who was spotted as a fresh face and landed Prem's directorial *Ek Love Ya* (2022), her ascent in the industry has been nothing short of exemplary. With a couple of films to begin, Reeshma's career has seen a series of steady climbs, with each project pushing her higher, eventually landing her in some of the biggest projects in Kannada cinema. While she has wrapped up *KD*, perhaps the biggest moment in her career has been stepping into the world of *UI*, the much-anticipated film from legendary director Upendra.

"I never imagined it would happen," Reeshma admits, speaking of her initial thoughts upon receiving the call for *UI*. "Even before the project came to me, there was so much buzz around Uppi sir's next directorial. Fans were practically requesting him to announce it, and when he finally did, I couldn't anticipate being a part of it. It felt surreal."

Reeshma learnt from Upendra himself that he had been following her work and was impressed by glimpses of her performances in her debut. "It was a huge compliment. He watched my work, recognised something in me, and thought I was right for the role. That credit goes to *Ek Love Ya* and to Prem, who gave me my start. Had Prem not chosen me, I don't think I would have had this opportunity. Upendra could have cast experienced actors, but he took a chance with me when I had just two films to my credit. I don't know how to explain this."

As *UI*, backed by G Manoharan of Lahari Films and KP Sreekanth Venus Entertainers, is set for a pan-India release on December 20, Reeshma finds herself in a unique position. "It's an incredible opportunity," she says, smiling. "Through *UI*, I'm not just representing my work in Kannada, but introducing myself to audiences in multiple languages. It feels like I'm taking my first steps into a wider audience."

Upendra's involvement in this project is more than just that of a director—he is a multi-faceted creative force. Reeshma shares her thoughts on working with him: "Before I entered the industry, I knew Upendra sir was a maverick director and actor, someone who created phenomenal work. But once I met him on set, I realised there's so much more to him. Just a five-minute conversation with him leaves you thinking for hours. He has this way of speaking that motivates you and challenges your thought process. He makes you question things, even about yourself."

And what of the infamous rumours that Upendra's work often leaves audiences perplexed? Reeshma offers a different perspective: "I don't think he confuses the audience at all. He simply presents reality in a way that's both honest and thought-provoking. He creates layers of meaning, often internal, which makes the audience reflect."

For Reeshma, one of the most striking aspects of *UI* is Upendra's approach to filmmaking. "When I first joined the team, I never once questioned my role or the amount of screen time I would have or its weightage. What mattered was the opportunity to work with a director of his calibre. His passion for the craft is contagious. Even if it had to be just over five minutes of screen space, I knew that every moment counted. I trusted his vision, never doubting for a second whether this would be an experience to learn and grow."

What truly distinguishes Upendra is his dual role as both director and actor. "I was amazed by how effortlessly he switched between his multiple roles," Reeshma recalls. "As an actor, he would be in front of the camera, but the moment the shot was done, he would run to the monitor, fully transformed into a director again. His ability to juggle both roles so seamlessly is inspiring."

Moreover, Upendra's approach to teamwork is something Reeshma deeply values. "He is so open to collaboration. He asks for everyone's input, encourages free thinking, and respects each person's opinion. That kind of environment is rare, especially when you're working with someone of his stature. It makes you feel valued," she says.

Reeshma reflects on her experience working with Upendra as one that changed her perspective on filmmaking. "His approach to storytelling is unlike anyone else's," she says. "He doesn't take the easy route. His films have bold and unexpected scenes. His vision is so unique—he could have taken the conventional route, but instead, he challenges norms and pushes boundaries in ways no one else does."

Upendra's influence on Reeshma extends beyond her role in *UI*. The actor is clear about his impact on her personal growth. "He always says you have to unlearn to learn. That was my focus throughout the film—letting go of preconceived notions and trusting the process. I tried to do that, and it was a learning experience like no other."

As 2024 draws to a close, Reeshma concludes her journey so far and what lies ahead: "I've been part of some fantastic projects recently, including *Baanadariyalli*, and now *UI*. There's *Vamana KD, Anna from Mexico*, and so much more lined up for 2025. It's been a whirlwind, and I'm excited to see where this journey takes me," she signs off.

Reeshma Nanaiah

A still from the film

Team Max

'Lions Roar' from *Max* unveiled amidst great fanfare

Kichcha Sudeep, speaking at the *Max* audio launch, apologised for the delay in the film's release, adding, 'As they say, better late than never'

CE FEATURES

THE much-anticipated *Max*, starring Kichcha Sudeep, is nearing its release date, and the makers have launched the film's audio, alongside a new track, 'Lions Roar', amidst thousands of fans who gathered to witness the spectacular celebration. Directed by Vijay Karthikeya and produced by Kalaipuli S Thanu under the banners of V Creations and Kichcha Creations, *Max* is set to hit theaters on December 25 in Kannada first, followed by Telugu and Tamil on December 27. The song, penned by Anup Bhandari and sung by Vijay Prakash based on Ajaneesh Loknath's composition, instantly grabbed attention with its intense energy.

The event was a vibrant celebration, with fans showing immense enthusiasm for the film's trailer and song. The presence of Kichcha Sudeep, producer Thanu, director Vijay, and other key cast members like Samyukta Hornad and Sukrutha Wagle added to the grandeur of the evening. The entire *Max* team took the stage to interact with the fans and share their excitement about the film.

"I'm extremely happy to see all of you here today. After nearly two and a half years, *Max* is finally releasing on December 25," said Kichcha Sudeep. "I apologise for the delay, but as they say, better late than never. I hope you continue to support us on this journey."

Producer Thanu expressed his gratitude, "It's heartwarming to see so many of Sudeep's fans here. Our film will be released worldwide, and we hope to have the support of all our fans and well-wishers."

Director Vijay, along with actors Samyukta and Sukrutha, spoke about their experiences working on the film and the excitement surrounding its release. The ensemble cast also includes Varalaxmi Sarathkumar, Sunil, Pramod Shetty, Redin Kingsley, Ilavarasu, Anirudh Bhat, Ugramm Manju, Kamaraju, and Karan Arya.

Max has cinematography by Shekar Chandra.

Sudeep

Kanna Muche Kaade Goode eyes January release

CE FEATURES

A COMPELLING title can play a part in drawing audiences into theatres. Take '*Kanna Muche Kaade Goode*', for instance. The line, which is used in the films Rambo and Chamak, is now the title of an exciting new thriller. It is produced by Anita Veeresh Kumar under Darling Productions and directed by debutant Nataraj Krishnegowda, a seasoned assistant director with experience across multiple films. At the heart of this suspense thriller is a murder that shakes both private and government forces. As they race to unravel the truth, a young woman finds herself caught in a web of trouble.

Raghavendra Rajkumar takes on the role of a retired doctor, while Atharva Prakash steps into the lead role, with Prarthana, known for her work in Tulu cinema, making her debut in Kannada as the female lead and Veeresh Kumar portraying the antagonist. Other notable actors like Jyothish Shetty, Deepak Rai, Aravind Bolar, and Chandrakala round out the cast.

The film features songs penned by Puneeth Arya and Veeresh Kumar, a music score composed by Santosh-Vijith Krishna, and a background score by Shreesastha. While Deepak Kumar JK handles the cinematography, Alex Henson takes care of the editing and DI, and Raghu contributes to the dance choreography.

Having cleared the censor formalities with a U/A certification, the film is set to hit theatres in January.

Raghavendra Rajkumar

Veeresh Kumar

AKSHAY KUMAR

DIRECTOR Magnus Von Horn's *The Girl With The Needle* has had a successful festival run. Right from its Cannes premiere early this year, the film has won multiple awards and nominations. The film, led by Vic Carmen Sonne, recently entered the Golden Globes 2025 fray under the Best Motion Picture—Non-English Language category. The Danish film, set in the post-World War I period, is loosely based on the life of serial killer Dagmar Overby, who promises a good future for the infants of impoverished families but later kills the children.

The lead actor and director draw an interesting parallel between this horrifying post-war episode and the times we are living in right now. "Dagmar (played by Trine Dyrholm) didn't just kidnap babies to kill them; women came and gave children to her because they had no other option. In that sense, I think it connects to our world, where in some parts women still have no freedom of choice or can't make this decision themselves because it's illegal. The horror of this story is that it connects with today's world," says Magnus.

Vic further elaborates, expressing her concern for American women following Trump's re-election. "I was extremely moved by my TikTok feed after Trump was reelected because it was just so many young women and men who were crying, scared, and fearing for the future and what would potentially happen if they got pregnant and so on. The topic plays the biggest role in this movie." Vic goes on to say that the film appealed to her emotionally more than to her intellectual faculties. She says, "When I first heard the script, it went beyond my intellectual interest in the topic. I felt sincere excitement, wanting to be a part of this with Magnus. That's just the most incredible, grateful thing to have happened as an actor when you get in touch with material and with people like that."

A still from *The Girl With The Needle*

'HORROR OF THIS STORY IS THAT IT CONNECTS WITH TODAY'S WORLD'

Magnus Von Horn

Magnus got candid that he didn't ascribe any intention to *The Girl With The Needle* at first and that it was a work in progress. He said he only started seeing things with time on what the film could be. "That is what development is. At one moment, we feel some element is strongly present in the story, and we needn't highlight it because the audience will find such strong connections, and we don't need to push it. That's also very comforting. Our job is rather to trust the story and not think so much about the meanings." Having said that, he added that he not only wanted the film to be socially realistic but also wanted it to have an element of creativity in its style and form. He says, "That helps the audiences to take part in this story that has a lot of horrific elements. We wanted to find a way to make the film in such a way we can accept it or in a way, enjoy it, but not to make it look sweet to be true to the core."

He further notes how filming in black and white challenged him as a filmmaker to get creative with the visuals. "We wanted to tap into the references and be inspired by films and photography from the time when the film was set. The film has a stronger voice in black and white," Vic quips, saying that she initially felt it would be boring but later found black and white carried a depth to the storytelling. She further says, "Two weeks after I expressed to Magnus that it felt boring, he and the DOP Michal showed some old photos of the locations we would shoot in. I was super excited, and the experience turned out to be otherworldly and had a lot of entertainment value.

On a concluding note, Magnus emphasised that *The Girl With The Needle* doesn't just talk about the serial killer and the need for women to exercise autonomy over their bodies; it is also an anti-war film. "Not just Peter (Besir Zaciri), even Karoline fights a war, a different war. In the end, she comes out on the other side, equally damaged as Peter is coming out from his war, and then they can meet again so that they can connect. So in that sense, it is an anti-war film too," he signs off.

Vic Carmen Sonne